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Hallo! Mr.,

Have you heard the News?

Pepper & Clements have dissolved

And Wm. Pepper is at his old stand in the

MEAT MARKET BUSINESS

Where he will keep constantly on hand the best quality of beef and all other kinds of meat. We buy only such.

Beef Cattle

For our market are of the best quality and can but give entire satisfaction to our customers. We are renovating our Market and are determined not to be surpassed by any other shop of this kind in the country. We have all kinds of

Vegetables

constantly on hand for the comfort and convenience of our patrons, as well as

CHEESE, BUTTER, LARD, &c.

All persons buying of us can have their packages delivered anywhere in town free of charge. We are keeping large quantities of everything in our line on hand and can supply in or out of the county on the shortest notice.

Our Market will be conducted agreeable to the most improved style. All kinds of

WORKING CATTLE, MILCH COWS, &c.

bought and sold at this market, and the highest cash price paid for Hides.

Owatonna, Oct. 22d, 1863. WM. PEPPER, 2nd

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Takes pleasure in saying to the ladies of Owatonna and vicinity that she has received her Spring and Summer Stock of

Millinery and Dress Goods.

Consisting in part of

BONNETS,

FEATHERS,

FLOWERS,

RIBBONS,

HATS, latest styles,

BALMORALS,

CLOAKS and

CLOAKINGS.

Also; a great variety of

HOOPS, and new style CORSETS,

together with many other articles too numerous to mention.

Trusting her grateful thanks for past patronage she invites all to call and examine her new stock, at the old stand, Batchelder's Block, Main-st., Pariahaut, Minn., May 10th, 1864. 2nd-4f.

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Fall and Winter Goods,

such as BROCADES, CASSIMERES,

PRINTS, and all kinds of

DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, HATS &

CATS, BOOTS & SHOES, &c.

all of which they are selling as low as at any other place in the county, and will not be undersold by any dealer in their line. Call and examine their stock, as no charges are made for showing goods. Custom made.

BOOTS & SHOES

constantly on hand, or made to order on the shortest notice. We say to the farmers bring on your

GRAIN

and other productions and we will give you more goods for them than you can get for cash in other places. Remember the place, one door east of the County Office Building, on Bridge-street.

CROCKER & BROTHER.

Owatonna, Oct. 29th, 1863. 27-4f.

WINONA & ST. PETER R. R.

ON and after Tuesday, February 22d, 1864, an

Accommodation train

will run as follows:

Leave Winona at 7 a. m.,

Arriving at St. Charles at 9:30 a. m.,

Returning, leave St. Charles at 2:30 p. m.

Arriving at Winona at 4:45—

Stages leave St. Charles daily for Chatfield, Roch- ester, Owatonna, Mankato, St. Peter, Pariahaut, Northfield, and intermediate points, and at Winona for St. Paul and La Crosse connecting with Mil-waukee and St. Paul Railway for all points East and South. (L) JOHN SEWELL, Superintendent.

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TO SELL, by subscription, an excellent, illustrat- ed and long-piled History of the Rebellion. It is in both English and German. Also several other beautifully illustrated, interesting and valu- able family works. Also for Publishers and Agents a great variety of Pictures, Battle Scenes, Portraits of eminent Generals and Civilians, Gems for the Album, &c., together with a large assortment of Sta- tionery Packages. These goods sell well.

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A WHIM AND A WRINKLE.

"He either fears his fate too much,
Or his desert is small,
That dares not put it to the touch,
To win or lose it all."

—Marquis of Montrose.

The Comtesse de Briancourt was a

widow.

The Comtesse de Briancourt was a

young widow—a wealthy widow—a beau- tiful widow! As it is seldom any one

woman possesses such a combination of attractions, it is no wonder that all Paris

was eager to throw itself at her feet; that poets sang of her charms, that painters

loved to imitate them upon canvas, that "eligible young men" raved of them, that

gentlemen "of a certain age" professed to dream of them! The Comtesse de

Briancourt was a celebrity—a Venus at whose shrine both youth and age were

content to bow.

Youth, wealth, and beauty! Three

rarest gifts of Fortune. What more can a woman—and a woman who is a widow

—desire to insure her happiness? Youth, to enjoy the applause which her beauty

demands and her wealth extorts; beauty, which elevates, ennobles, and, as it were

—conserves wealth; wealth, which does so much for the adornment and preservation

of beauty. I know many persons who would excessively contented with

these blessings, to say nothing of three. It is all very well for Mr. Pope

to declare that "virtue alone is happiness below." Ask Amanda whether she

would be satisfied with so sorry a substitute for those dark eyes even and glorious

tresses now the constant delight of Cor- net Plantagenet Jones?

Yet youth, wealth, and beauty were

not sufficient to render happy the Comtesse de Briancourt. Her physi- cian

said her nerves were at fault. Her maid protested that it was late hours and

long dances. Her friends declared it was her excess of sensibility. She herself

was pining for want of sympathy; that "in all the wide world there was no heart

attuned to her own, which could compre- hend her aspirations and soothe her sor- rows."

It is my belief that the Comtesse de

Briancourt was in love!

In love? Yes—for love does not al- ways have that tranquillizing influence

ascribed to it by poets and romancers.— Its eyes are not always looking through

rose-colored spectacles. It often breeds in the mind a restless dissatisfaction with

everything; the heart having nothing more to hope for, satiety seizes upon it

and the victim looks around despairingly for a new excitement. And this, I take

it, is the reason that love at first, is so prone to verge upon jealousy.

The sun was already near the zenith, and its radiant beams were flooding with

golden brilliancy the balcony of the com- tesse de Briancourt, when—when—hang it!

I knew I should break down—the heroics always overpowered me. I mean to

say that it was nearly noon on a certain day in July, 1754, when the comtesse de

Briancourt sat down before her looking- glass to attire her fair person, scrutiniz- ing

her charms, and listen to the scandal of Paris as related by her *fille de chambre*. I

know so little of the mysteries of a fine lady's toilette: Heaven be praised for my ignorance! that I shall not weary the

reader with endless details of cosmetics and pomades, essences, patches, ribbons, laces, or plumes. Besides, as the Com- tesse de Briancourt never admitted the

world into her dressing-room, what right have I to obtrude the reader upon its pri- vacy?

Her toilette completed, the comtesse still attended by Lisette—moved into the

adjoining chamber, and surveyed with innocent gratification the wonderful work of Art and Nature reflected in the large

mirror before which she displayed her- self. Art had done much but nature had

done more. Nature alone had given those abundant tresses of raven blackness, those

large eloquent eyes, those rosy budding lips, that systematical figure, which

combined the statelyness of a queen with the natural grace of a Greek beauty. Art

it is true, arranged the tresses with ex- quisite taste and draped the figure with

becoming robes, and, for my part I be- lieve it to be the duty of a lovely woman

to do all she can to heighten and preserve her loveliness. Her beauty is a precious

gift which must not deal with lightly.—

To the world she is a splendid picture—a wonderful sculpture—masterpiece, whose contemplation has in it a rare and peculiar pleasure.

"Nought under heaven so strongly doth allure The sense of man and all his mind possesses."

But while the Comtesse de Briancourt surveyed herself in her mirror, a sudden fear took possession of her soul. She called Lisette.

"Lisette! Is it true? Can it—can it be—?"

"Oel, madame, you frighten me?—What is the matter?"

"Look, look, Lisette! Here over my right eyebrow, and near the temple; is it—is it—a wrinkle?"

Lisette looked carefully at the charm- ing forehead bowed down before her, and, after a painful scrutiny, detected just a

fine on its smooth and glittering skin, as if Time had not the heart to complete the

envious work which in some unlucky moment he had begun. Lisette was com- pelled to acknowledge that a wrinkle was

just perceptible to the eye of jealousy, but she doubted whether it would be visible to the kinder gaze of Love.

The Comtesse de Briancourt flunk her- self into the nearest *fautail*, and sighed deeply.

Lisette applied to her eyes a daintily- embroidered handkerchief.

"I must marry," said the Comtesse de Briancourt, "before the few charms

have faded which can insure me a lover. This wrinkle is a warning which I dare

neglect! No fate is more deplorable than that of a *coquette* beauty who resorts to

trickery and artifice to preserve but a semblance of the worship which was once

offered her as her right. I must marry, Lisette—but whom?"

"Who did indeed, madame?" said Lisette; "I know no one worthy of you."

"We women always fling ourselves away, Lisette; self-sacrifice is our pri- vilege and our duty."

"Nevertheless, among the thousand

admirers who live upon madame's smiles, there may be one who has had the good

fortune to please her."

The comtesse blushed. The comtesse smiled. After the blush and the smile came—a sigh. Our fair readers can, per- haps, determine for themselves what these

symptoms portended. Lisette read them her own way, and continued—

"I know, at least, of one true heart which beats only for madame!—Lives but in the sunshine of her favor—basks in—"

"Silence Lisette! I detest these com- monplaces of *bourgeois* lovers. Whom would you have me believe so faithful and disinterested?"

"The Vicomte de Mauprat," replied Lisette, with a slight smile, and curi- ously observing the warm color which

so lately spread over the snowy bosom and delicate cheeks of the comtesse. "Ah! he is a true man. He has the air noble and the elevated soul! Such generosity!

Such honor! And, *ciel*, such a face and figure!"

"Hush, hush!" interrupted the com- tesse, though her sparkling eyes believ- ed her words; "let me hear no more of this monster of perfection. One would think

that every one else in the world was ignorant of my existence."

"Nay, nay, madame," said Lisette; "There is Monsieur Paul Duchesne, the

fermier-general; he is very wealthy— Besides, he is dropsical, and is constant- ly afflicted with the gout. Madame would make an admirable nurse!"

The comtesse frowned.

"Then there is the Baron d'Albret, who is sure to make a good husband. He takes such care of everything belong- ing to him that he will take care of you, madame, when you are part of his prop- erty. And the marquis de Lautrenais

handsome certainly, but then, his temper! *Mon Dieu!* I would sooner marry a volcano! But madame is silent—madame smiles—can it be the marquis whom she condescends to—?"

"Yes, Lisette," exclaimed the com- tesse, with a sudden energy, "you are right; it is the marquis." She contin- ued to herself, as she hurriedly passed the room: "The vicomte passed me yes- terday without a glance or sign of recog- nition. He cannot love me! He has trifled with my heart, but he shall see how calm, how indifferent I am! I will

marry the marquis, and when I meet M. le Vicomte at court I will annihilate him with my superb disdain. Yes, Lisette, I am resolved. I will write to my suitors acquaint them with their fate."

She seated herself at her writing-table, but her hands trembled and her lips quiv- ered. It was some moments before she could compose herself sufficiently to exe- cute her task. Lisette looked on in si- lence at a drama whose purpose she could not comprehend.

The comtesse wrote three letters—two of courteous dismissal to the *fermier-gen- eral* and the Vicomte de Mauprat, (I am not sure but that the latter was moistened with the hot tears of wounded pride and slighted affection.) To the marquis she wrote as follows:

"If your love for me be as true as you would have me believe, if your affection be worthy of me and yourself, I will no longer refuse to listen you. I write in doubt, in fear, in hesitation; it is for you to reassure me. I shall be at home and alone this evening."

Just as she had finished the last of her missives, the Marquis de Nardillac was announced, and the comtesse hurriedly entrusted the three fatal *billets* to Lisette, with directions to enclose and address them properly and forward them without delay. She turned to receive her visitor, and Lisette quitted the *salon*.

We will quit it with her, for the con- versation of two pretty women, however interesting to themselves, has seldom much attraction for a masculine reader.

Lisette read the letters with the curi- osity proper to a lady's maid, and was ill pleased with their contents. She really loved the comtesse, and had a strong *pen- chant* for the liberal and handsome De Mauprat. She was, besides, too shrewd a woman not to understand that her mis- tress had acted on a mere whim, a mo- mentary pique, and that her folly could not but lead to a long and perhaps un- availing repentance. It was her duty, she conceived, to prevent an issue so disas- trous; and accordingly she placed the letters in fresh enclosures, and directed them after her own ideas of propriety.— Her next step was to summon Francois—

—a domestic of considerable ingenuity and more than ordinary good looks, be- tween whom and herself reader relations had long been established—and despatch him with the three missives, particularly enjoining him to observe in what manner each gentleman received his *billet*. These preliminaries effected, Lisette resigned herself to a many-volumed romance by Mademoiselle de Soudier, and—the Fates!

An hour had elapsed, and from the land of romance she had insensibly passed into the land of dreams, when Francois returned from his mission.

Lisette woke up with a start, rubbed her eyes, sighed deeply at the sudden overthrow of a delicious *chateau d'Es- pagne*, whose erection had beguiled her slumbers, and demanded how he had far- ed.

He had found, he said, the Marquis de Lautrenais engaged with his tailor. He read the note, smiled, hummed a tune, twisted the note into a paper-light for his cigar, and bade Francois inform the com- tesse that he was going to marry the

Baronne de Laineourt that day fortnight. "Execrable coxcomb!" exclaimed Li- sette. "And the *fermier-general*?"

M. Paul Duchesne was busily engaged over a ponderous ledger, summing up his last year's gains. When he had finished the perusal of his *billet*, he shut up his ledger, rubbed his hands, sprang off his stool, and kicked Francois out of the room, declaring that he was the most fortunate of men!

"What have I done?" cried Lisette, and continued eagerly—"The Vicomte de Mauprat? Quick, Francois! What of him?"

He read the note with a changing cheek, and seemed incapable of speech. Then, as if smitten to the heart, he has- tily put on his hat, took up his sword, and rushed out into the street—whither Francois was unable to say, but surmis- ed that the unfortunate noble's body would next day be found in the Morgue.

"*Mon Dieu!*" sighed poor Lisette; "*je suis desole!*" I am heart-broken! I am undone! I have married my mistress to a dropsical old miser, who will be con- tinually thrusting his gouty toe into all her pleasures! And the unfortunate vi-

comte!—so handsome!—so generous! Francois, I will poison myself—I will poison M. Paul Duchesne!"

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OFFICIAL PAPER OF THE COUNTY.
THURSDAY, JUNE 2, 1864.
OWATONNA AND ITS IMPROVEMENTS.

No year since the organization of Owatonna has it developed as much thrift and enterprise as at the present time. The town is full of strangers looking for a point on which to locate, to enter into business of some kind.

They all concur in one thing, which is that they believe it to be one of the best points in Southern Minnesota for business of all kinds. There is not a person, who is engaged in any employment, but that is making a good and respectable living, and is laying up money. We know of individuals who came here three months ago, and by their enterprise and industry are now worth from one to two thousand dollars in cash.

The influx at the present time is so great that both hotels are crowded to their utmost capacity, and many are obliged to take beds on the floor. The great demand for accommodations has induced Rev. A. Town to vacate his large building on Broadway, and has leased it to J. B. Cory, who is fitting it up for a first class hotel, and will be opened this week.

Improvements are going on rapidly on almost every street in town. Last week Mr. Hamburg, from the east, came here and bought of J. W. Dresser a lot 22 feet front on Broadway, joining the new hotel, and bound Mr. Dresser to erect a building on it 18x30, and completed throughout by the first day of August next for \$1125. It is designed for a restaurant, and will be ready to be opened at the time appointed. H. Mace is erecting a large brewery at the foot of Bridge street, and will be in running order in a few weeks. P. Schuster has commenced a large building designed for a Wagon Shop, two stories, on the corner of Oak and Bridge streets, and will be completed in a few weeks. Charley Hastings has his large Livery Building, on Oak street, enclosed and nearly finished. Sherman & Hutchins are about commencing a large Wagon and Carriage Shop, on the corner of Oak and School streets, and will be ready for use this fall. Charley Schom has a two story building nearly enclosed on Main street, and will be finished in a few weeks, and is designed for Billiard Tables. Durby & Snell are refitting their building on Main street, and will be opened this month for a Meat and Vegetable Market. A few feet east on the same street Wadsworth & Chesley have commenced the foundation for a brick block, two stories, and will be ready for use this fall, the first floor to be used as a Variety Store, the second one for a Photograph Gallery. East of this about twenty feet, J. F. Hanna is building a two story building for Cabinet Warehouses, which will be in readiness in two or three weeks. East of this, on the corner of Cedar and Main streets a building is in progress to be used for the PLAINDEALER Office. South of this, on Cedar street, two neat and convenient resident buildings, and one east a few rods, on Rice street, have been erected during the last month. Morford & Willsey, on Bridge street, are repairing the front of their store and design opening it through the whole building as soon as mechanics can be procured. Crocker & Bro. have vacated the back part of their store formerly used as a shoe shop and fitted it up and extended their store through the whole building, which makes a great improvement in appearance as well as convenience. Immediately east of this J. W. Dresser has just completed a large building 22x60, two stories high, which is now occupied by J. Newsalt as a Gent's Clothing Store. East of this lay a vacant lot fronting Bridge and Main streets, and the Public Square 66x99 feet and acknowledged by all to be the cream of the town as to beauty and location, and last week Mr. Soule, of Portland, Maine, was here viewing, and was determined to have the lot, which he succeeded in procuring for \$1000. During the last week he has contracted for nearly all the material for erecting a large brick block, 25x60, upon it, and will have it ready for the fall trade. He designs opening a large Dry Good and Variety Store. He has all the appearance of being a good business man and a live Yankee. J. W. Dresser is contemplating to build a brick block on Broadway, fronting the Public Square, on the north side, 44x70, two or three stories in height, and is pledged to have it done during the next summer. The Kurka House is to be raised another story this season, which will be a great ornament to the town as well as to the convenience of the traveling community. Three large brick Church edifices, (Congregational, Baptist and Methodist), two of them 40x60, were in contemplation

this season but owing to the scarcity of material and mechanics, they were laid over until next summer.

These are only some of the principle improvements going on, and which have been put in progress within the last two months, but hardly a dwelling or business place in town but what is or has been undergoing more or less repairs and additions this spring.

The resident grounds are being graded and set out with ornamental and fruit trees, and all kinds of shrubbery, in almost every part of the town plot, which will in a few years make it the Forest City of the West, and the Paradise of Minnesota.

The Chief Engineer of the Minnesota Central Railroad has been surveying the route from Faribault to this place, and have decided to keep on the east side of the river, and come into town on the north side of the town proper, which will be a most beautiful location for a Depot, and open up some of the choicest lots of the town for resident purposes. This will make it very desirable for the Transit Railroad Company, as they will run down the valley of Maple Creek, and form a junction with the Central on Maple Valley, about 140 rods from the business part of the town.

W. H. Kelly has succeeded in having Main street opened through his land, which will cause the street to run direct over the rise instead of the bend as formerly. This alteration is a great improvement to the street, and will make some of the most slightly and desirable situations in the town. Many have already been secured and have commenced erecting buildings upon them.

Thus we have endeavored to give a fair and unvarnished statement of the true condition of Owatonna, the County-Seat of Steele County, and laying almost in the Geographical centre of the County. The land throughout the County is rich and fertile, well watered and sufficient timber for all purposes, and offers great inducements to those who desire homes on reasonable terms, and enjoy the society of an enlightened, enterprising, patriotic and benevolent community.

Destruction of Salt Works in South Carolina.

The Navy Department has received a communication from the United States bark Ethan Allen, blockading off Murrell's Inlet, S. C. reporting the destruction of valuable salt works, information being given them by contrabands of the location of works, which were at a place called Cane Pitch, twelve miles from the inlet. Upon reaching the works an armed crew was sent ashore, who succeeded in destroying them and burning the buildings. Extensive arrangements had been made for extending the works to double their size. The pans were of cast iron and easily broken. There were four works, each containing twelve large pans, the water being raised from the beach by horse power leading into a cistern large enough to contain 100,000 gallons of water. The salt was mixed with sand. When returning to the station, a man was taken off the coast who made signals to the Ethan Allen. He gave his name as Allen Jones. He said he was from North Carolina, and was a commissary sergeant in the rebel army.

Another Railroad Bridge Across the Mississippi River.

The contract for the construction of the masonry, nine piers and two abutments, for the bridge of the Minnesota Central Railroad, about two miles above St. Paul, was let on the 7th instant, to Messrs. Reynolds, Saulpaugh & Co., of this city. The bridge is to be the same style of the one at this place, with a draw. The job of Messrs. R. S. & Co., will amount to about \$350,000, and is to be completed June 1866.

Mr. Thomas Saulpaugh will take his family with him to St. Paul, and immediately commence the work.—Rock Island Argosy.

Frontier Matters.

FORT RIDGELY, May 23, 1864.—7 P.M. The Indian excitement continues. The patrol from Cottonwood reports six Indians seen to-day six miles from this stockade. The citizens and what soldiers are at hand are pursuing them and think they will bag them. A scouting party of cavalry, under Lieut. Cutter, has just started after them, and some infantry will be sent down to-morrow to Milford with instructions to bivouac there for four days. The Indians seem to be obstinate as the rebels. 'Tif getting to be a part of the day's necessary mental food now, to have the latest Indian news from below.—St. Paul Press.

—The three days' battle in Virginia which ended on the 10th of May, is called the battle of Laurel Hill.

Educational.

The following are the names of persons to whom certificates were granted at the spring examinations for the present year:

FIRST GRADE.	
Miss C. F. Jones.	Miss Mary L. Wilkins.
SECOND GRADE.	
Miss Julia Phillips.	Miss Mattie D. French.
" Katie Adair.	" Eudora M. Ray.
" Mattie Dean.	" Helen F. Sanborn.
" Ametta Phelps.	" Marianne Sanborn.
" Carrie Cutter.	" Nellie M. Adams.
THIRD GRADE.	
Miss Judith Sawyer.	Miss Tirzah Woods.
" Bettie Drake.	" Dora H. O'Connor.
" Maria Carlton.	" Sarah Hastings.
" Martha Mithorn.	" M. O. Alden.
" Dora Wood.	" Jane A. McCaslin.
" Ellen Green.	" O. Shea.
" Carrie Cook.	" Lydia Hull.
" Ellen E. Chase.	" Mrs. Porell.
" Mattie Carpenter.	" Lizzie Lawson.
" Mary Phillips.	" Me. Jerome Winchell.

In giving this list of names to the public, I deem it not inappropriate to say that considering the fact that most of them have enjoyed no other advantages than those afforded by the Common Schools of the county, the examinations have, in most cases, been very creditable, not to be sure, partaking of that high degree of excellence which the nature of the occupation to be engaged in seems imperatively to demand, still uniting much of the requisite ability to teach, and aptness in communicating with very fair intellectual qualification.

I have been constrained to make the examinations for the summer term of schools very easy, especially for the second and third grades. I have endeavored to elevate the standard of qualification to some extent, but not to so great an extent as to deprive the schools of a supply of teachers, believing that at the present it far better to employ second and even third rate teachers in the schools of the county than to employ none at all. One of the greatest evils of the old system was too much looseness and indiscriminate in the examinations. Under the new system a paramount evil would be experienced in rapidly raising the standard of qualification above the immediate reach of those to whom we have been accustomed to entrust the business of imparting instruction in our Common Schools. We must, it is true, attain a greater altitude. Our Common Schools are the common interest of the Nation. They are our citadels of liberty and bulwarks of defense. They are the fountain of all true National greatness and prosperity, and the real heart, earnest, teachers of our land are the advance guard of human civilization and progress, and those who wish to hold honorable positions in this grand army of Educators, must be thoroughly drilled in the Common School tactics, must subject themselves to a rigid discipline. More pre-tenders never meet with any decided success in any pursuit. Science wreathens none of her garlands around the brows of such. They are never found upon the top of the wheel of political preferment, the busy tide of human progress is constantly sweeping them out into the ocean of oblivion. None, and especially teachers, should be satisfied with the meagre acquisitions of yesterday, nor with the achievements of to-day, but should make each success the stepping-stone to a still greater triumph. I sincerely hope that those who possess the greatest degree of qualification for teaching will see by contrast how much there is for them yet to learn, and that those who know themselves to be sadly deficient in all of the characteristics of good and thorough teachers, will at once resolve to qualify themselves for the important stations in life which they occupy.

It is my purpose to visit, as soon as I can, all the schools in the county, and to render to each of the teachers all the assistance possible in the necessarily brief calls which I must make, and I hope and confidently expect to find each teacher active and earnest, accomplishing all that can be for the good of the school. Arrangements are being perfected for holding an Institute in the fall, for the benefit of teachers, the details of which will be published in a few days.

A. A. HARWOOD,
County Superintendent of Schools.

—Lieut. Edward P. Hopkins, son of Prof. Albert Hopkins of Williams College, was wounded, it is feared mortally, and left in the hands of the rebels, in Sheridan's late raid to the rear of Lee.

—Forrest's official account of the capture of Fort Pillow, states that five hundred out of seven hundred men composing the garrison were killed. All the officers were killed. Forrest's loss was twenty killed and sixty wounded.

—The poor Union refugees from Plymouth and Washington, whose houses were burned over their heads, are at Newbern in great numbers, in a very destitute condition. They are mostly women and children, without bedding or proper clothing, who are worthy of Christian charity.

LATEST NEWS.

New York, May 30.

The Times special says: "Grant's reconnaissance Wednesday showed the rebels in full force, and holding a powerful position in our immediate front, 5000 what in advance of the Little River. The ground was also very favorable to him, and he had occupied every hour in fortifying. If driven back from here even, he had the elaborately prepared line of South Anna to fall back upon.

Grant therefore determined to recross the North Anna, swing round to the left, over the Pamunkey, and leave Lee to enjoy his position. A cavalry demonstration made strong diversion on the enemy while Grant's movement took place, which proved successful—when it was accomplished the rebels were completely by surprise.

A Herald correspondent says a wounded rebel officer says their loss in the late battles reach thirty thousand.

New York, 30.

The Herald's special says there was considerable skirmishing Friday but no heavy fighting near Hanover Court House. Grant's movements are progressing well and rapidly. Most of the casualties were among New England Regiments.

The Enquirer has a dispatch dated Headquarters Army Potomac, enroute to Richmond, Hanover Ferry 27th, come, stating that the whole army was again in motion. Hancock is in the advance, followed by Wright, and Warren is just joining us having brought up the rear of our former right wing eyes the North Anna. Burnside will cross at County Ridge, and will bring up our rear.

The army moves with a celerity never known before. We will make 20 miles before night. Sheridan is ahead scouring the country.

Lee evidently thought we were endeavoring to turn his left and give battle on the north side of the South Anna, but he is out-generalled, and by night we will be within four hours' march of Richmond. Once getting Lee in his works we go round his flank and into his rear.

The whole country hereabouts is planted with corn. Pasture is very fine. We sweep all before us—horses, cattle, mules, contrabands, all fall into our trail.

New York, May 30.

A dispatch from Wheeling states that Gen. Hunter has recruited his army to light marching order, and moved it from Cedar Creek. He issued an order that the army is to live upon the country through which it passed.

WASHINGTON, May 30.

A special to the Post says it is said Secretary Chase will soon offer \$50,000, 000 of the 6 per cent. coupons of 1861 at public auction.

PHILADELPHIA, May 26.

The Enquirer has the following: SOUTH SIDE NORTH ANNA RIVER, near Erico Bridge, May 25th, 2 P. M.—The rebels are in our front, and prisoners have been taken during the last twenty-four hours from the three Rebel Generals, Ewell, Hill and Longstreet. Over 400 prisoners were taken from a brigade of South Carolinians, by the Pennsylvania Reserves under Crawford, who made a charge on our extreme right after Warren had crossed the North Anna, on the road leading to Beaver Dam.

Our troops have been up and completely destroyed nearly six miles of track on the Virginia Central Railroad, west of Saxton's Junction.

We are now but one day's forced march from Richmond, in a fine open country. There is plenty of good pasturage for our horses, but nothing for the men except what was brought along. The enthusiasm of our army knows no bounds, while the morale of the rebels, judging from their wounded prisoners falling into our hands, is in very bad condition. The weather is intensely hot.

New York, May 27 1864

The Times New Orleans correspondent says Gen. J. A. Hamilton has arrived there and gives a lamentable account of the state of affairs in Texas. The withdrawal of a large force of our troops from Texas, will place the Unionists in a painful position. They are already in a frightful condition. Whole families, a year or two since enjoying all the comforts of life are now reduced to beggary,—the able bodied men pressed into the service, and their families left helpless and without protection.

CHICAGO, May 25

The Journal's Nashville correspondent states that Sherman's entire army resumed its march from Kingston, Ga., Tuesday and flanked Johnston's position at Altoona on the Etowah river. This position was in the mountain fastness and was considered very strong.

The correspondent believes Johnston

does not intend to fight, but his troops are being transferred to Lee and Beauregard.

CAIRO, May 26.

The steamer Atlantic, from New Orleans the 21st and Memphis yesterday evening has arrived with 228 bales of cotton for St. Louis.

The Columbia, Havana, and George Cromwell were to sail for New York on the 21st.

The transport Cawtubo had arrived with the 26th Massachusetts, and Government stores.

The officers of the Atlantic report that Banks, with a portion of his army, arrived at New Orleans on the 21st. It was not known that any new movements were on for the present.

In moving across the country on the retreat from Alexandria, Banks left the Red River at Fort De Russy and struck for Semmesport, where he crossed the Atchafalaya, and reached Morgansia on the Miss. A. J. Smith's command also marched to Semmesport and then embarked on transports.

Naval officers who left Pensacola on the 18th, says a report was just received there of another mutiny in the Garrison at Fort Morgan, Mobile. No particulars.

Correspondence New York Tribune.

CITY POINT, Va., May 20, 1864.—Kautz's division of cavalry had twenty hours of retreat at City Point from its six days hard labor on its raid upon the Petersburg and Weldon Railroad, when an order came to "boot and saddle" for a foray in another direction. The command proceeded at once by boats, and crossing to Bermuda Hundreds bivouacked on Wednesday night, May 11, and on the morning of the 12th struck out for the Danville Railroad. Passing Gen Butler's advance lines at Chester Station, on the Richmond and Petersburg Railroad (already destroyed,) Gen. Kautz proceeded to Coalfield, on the Danville Railroad, and cut the connection, destroying the spot water tanks, &c., at that point.—From thence he followed the Danville road down through Powhatan and Amelia counties to Chula Station, where a sharp fight took place. The rebels were here in strong force as was discovered on the morning of the 13th, to protect the railroad bridge across the Appomattox.

It was found impossible to dislodge them, but the station buildings and track were destroyed by our troops, and a locomotive under steam was burned and blown up. Gen. Kautz then struck southward, and destroyed the station and track at Wilson's Depot, at Black's and White's, and at Wellsville, on the Petersburg and Lynchburg railroad. This was on the 14th about evening. Passing through Nottoway county to the center of Brunswick county, on the 15th, the command reached Lawrenceville at 10 P. M., where it bivouacked for the night. Leaving Lawrenceville on the morning of the 16th, a movement was made on Bellfield, on the Petersburg and Weldon railroad, in Greenville county, where the enemy being found very strong, the column was moved up the Petersburg and Weldon railroad to Jarrett's Station, in Sussex county, the scene of the first raid by Gen. Kautz.

Water tanks, &c., were in process of reconstruction and the roads were repairing at this point. The tanks were again destroyed.

The column then struck for Freeman's Bridge, a county structure across the Nottoway River. On reaching it a rebel force was found engaged in the destruction of the bridge. The bridge was only partially demolished, however, when the command reached it, which was about midnight of the 16th. The pontoons of the command were immediately put to work; the bridge was rebuilt in a few hours, and at daylight of the 17th the command proceeded for City Point, within our lines, which was reached late in the evening.

The command of Gen. Kautz was harassed at all available points by the enemy. Yet the work which this gallant cavalry officer set out to perform was fully accomplished. Large amounts of rebel commissary stores, in depots, mills, were captured and brought in, and the resources of the rebel army seriously crippled. On nearing City Point a culvert on the Petersburg Railroad, previously destroyed by Gen. Kautz, was found to be in process of reconstruction. This was once more thoroughly destroyed, together with all the material provided for its completion.

ST. LOUIS, May 28.

The cash receipts of the Sanitary Fair to Friday night are \$319,000. This does not include any anticipated donations on the way of which notice of shipment has been received, nor the Smither firm tickets, 30,000 of which have been sold, nor any large schemes in which shares are being sold.

The Fair will continue open during next week.

J. W. Andrews' Column.

IMPORTANT DISPATCHES!!

New Spring Goods,

Arrived and constantly arriving, at

ANDREWS' ONE PRICE STORE!!

Rochester, Minn.

Don't forget to call at the

CORNER BRICK STORE

ANDREWS' ONE PRICE CASH STORE!

Goods Marked in Figures!

And where one man's cash is considered as good as another's.

ANDREWS

Is receiving one of the

LARGEST & CHEAPEST

stock of goods ever brought into Minnesota.

A large assortment of

RICH DRESS GOODS,

from 15 cts. all the way up to 75 cts. per yard. A large stock on

SUMMER SHAWLS,

\$1.50 for a very nice, rich looking shawl. Broche, Sicilia, Cassimere and Thibet Shawls—all good qualities and styles.

CLOAKS & SILK MANTILLAS,

a large variety. CLOAKINGS, a good article, as low as \$1.25 per yard.

RICH DRESS SILKS,

Black, Brown, Plaid, &c., at prices ranging from 30 cts. to \$1.75 per yard. All Wool Delaines 40 cts. per yard.

At Andrews' Store

May be found a full stock of

DOMESTIC GOODS,

SHEETINGS, PRINTS, DENIMS, STRIPES, &c. SHEETINGS and 3 y. YELLOW CASHMERE, a great variety of PLAIN COTTONADES, LINEN, BURLAP, &c. for Men and Boys. Summer Wear.

ALSO,

SUMMER CASSIMERES,

at prices far less than can be bought at Merchant Tailors.

ANDREWS' EXCELSIOR CASH STORE

Is the place to buy

Alexander's Real Kid Gloves.

An endless variety of Kidmade Gloves, Hosiery, Men's, Women's and Children's Neck Ties, Linen Handkerchiefs at 10 cts. each, Paper Collars in round boxes, ten in a box, and sold at a trifling advance what the boxes themselves are worth.

AT ANDREWS' STORE

Is kept a large stock of

Hats & Caps.

of any shape, style and material that is desirable for summer and fall wear. Also, Ladies' Hats.—Among the latter may be found good hats at 50 cts. each. A full assortment of Ribbons for trimming the same. Also, desirable Trimming Ribbons. Also Gaiters, Edgings, assorted widths. Jet and other Buttons. Brands of all kinds.

CLOTHING.

Linen Coats from \$1.25 to \$3.00; good Union Coats from \$3.50 to \$5.00; and Fine Black all Wool Coats from \$5.00 to \$20.00; a very poor pair of Pants for \$1.00, and very good ones for \$2.25. Don't forget to ask for our SKELETON COATS, at \$9.00 each, our finest quality of Light Harris Cassimere Pants and Vest for \$5.00 the suit.

Paper Hangings.

Barbers, Window Curtains, a well selected and handsome stock; also, Drapery, Mullins, Damask, &c., &c., &c.

Crockery & Glassware.

Engines for that splendid heavy ware, called our new "Wheel Pattern." We have a very full assortment of goods in this line.

GROCERIES.

A full and complete stock. Good Tea from \$1.30 to \$1.75, unequalled in quality and price.

AT ANDREWS' STORE

Is also to be found a large and desirable stock of

BOOTS & SHOES.

Women's Serge Gaiters from \$1.00 to \$1.75, Men's Serge Lace Boots \$2.50 and Serge Shoes for \$2.00, Oxf. and Ties from \$1.50 to \$2.50. Call and examine our stock before purchasing elsewhere.

ANDREWS

Has been in trade at Rochester now for one year and from the large trade he has received from Steele and adjoining counties, as well as in other directions, he flatters himself that his efforts to establish a prosperous and successful business, based upon fair and honorable dealing, asking only a fair price for ALL kinds of goods, repudiating the practice so prevalent among merchants, of selling some goods at low than cost and making an exorbitant price for others, has not been in vain. Thankful for the public patronage therefore, he hopes his friends will not forget in future that

ANDREWS

still holds forth in the

BRICK CORNER STORE.

Rochester, Minn., May 26th, 1864. v2nd1st.

The Owatonna Plaindealer.

We have received by the hand of Hon. Wm. WINDOM, the Census of the United States for 1860. Also other documents by the Hon. M. S. WILKINSON, for which they have our thanks.

J. B. CORY raised his sign, the "American Hotel," on Broadway, last Monday, and is now ready to accommodate the traveling community with all things needful for their comfort and convenience.

The BAKER Family, as previously announced, will be here next Thursday evening. Those who attend the Concert no doubt will be highly entertained, as they always have something new and interesting.

MORFORD & WILLSEY have just received from the East some \$3000 worth of Boots and Shoes of every size and description, which they are offering to sell at very low figures. Persons desiring such articles will do well to give them a call and examine prices and quality before buying elsewhere.

We call attention to the new advertisement of CROOKER BROS. in this week's issue. They have a large assortment of goods of the best quality. They are doing a good business, and well liked by all who trade with them. Those who patronize them will find them honorable men and fair dealers.

The new advertisement of G. F. BATCHELDER, of Faribault, is worthy of notice. He has bought the entire stock of Jewelry, Clocks, &c., of Mr. AUSTIN, and is closing them off at great bargains. He is doing a splendid business and receiving goods every by express, and other ways from the Eastern markets. He keeps a fine variety of goods on hand continually and intends selling at prices so low that those at a distance will find it an object to give him a call.

As expected, J. NEWSALT, of the People's Store, is in reality the People's man to deal with. It comes as natural to him to sell a suit of clothes as for a fish to swim. The other day we happened to be at the store, when a gentleman, after selecting a whole suit of clothing, asked the price of them, and being answered \$5.00, seemed to be surprised, and asked if there was not some mistake, but the People's Man, assuring him that that there was no mistake, and asking the gentleman his reason for thinking so, was answered that he was looking around and found he could not buy a suit of the same kind of clothing short of \$8.00. As the motto of the People's Store is "Live and Let Live," we say give him a call.

While all printing material is running up at almost ruinous prices, we are gratified that some persons appreciate our efforts in advancing the best interest of our town and county. Last week W. H. KELLY called upon us, and said he supposed the year was about up on the subscription list, and he called for the purpose of paying for the PLAINDEALER another year, accordingly he handed us a five dollar greenback, and as we offered him back the change he told us to keep it, as he wished to do something for the support of a paper in the county, aside from subscribing for it. We highly appreciate Mr. KELLY's benevolence, not only for the intrinsic value, but also for the disposition manifested to uphold and support every lawful enterprise in our community.

Quite a sensation was produced among our citizens last Saturday morning by the announcement that Mrs. C. R. HITCHCOCK had taken a large quantity of Corrosive Sublimate. It seems Mrs. H. called at Dr. FARMER'S Drug Store the day previous and bought of the Dr. one ounce of Corrosive Sublimate and three ounces of Alcohol and put them together for the purpose, as she said, of poisoning bed bugs. The next morning she rose at five o'clock and went into the pantry and poured out about one-third in the vessel containing the poison, into a tea cup and then added to it some cream out of the creamer and swallowed it. She screamed immediately and opened her husband, who came in her relief, and in about four minutes she vomited freely, and since which the Mucus Membrane, of the Alimentary Canal has nearly passed away and she is truly a great sufferer, without any reasonable hope of recovery.

Since writing the above we have received the melancholy intelligence that Mrs. C. R. HITCHCOCK has died from the effects of the poison.

IDAHO DEPOSITS!!

B. Chambers

WOULD inform the citizens of Owatonna and everybody else that he has moved his stock of Goods from Main-St. to Broadway, in his store ONE DOOR WEST OF EUREKA HOUSE, where he has a large and extensive assortment of

Groceries

SUCH AS
Teas,
Sugars,
Syrups,
Coffees,
Spices,
&c., &c.

Dried Fruits

and everything else calculated to suit the most delicate appetite. He also wishes to inform the public that he has a large assortment of

BOOTS & SHOES.

of all sizes and descriptions, of the best quality. His goods are new and fresh, bought for cash, and will not be undersold. Idaho Gold Dust, Greenbacks, and all kinds of

COUNTRY PRODUCE

taken in exchange.
Owatonna, April 25th, 1864. v2n1tf.

THE OLD FLAG

STILL FLOATS TO THE BREEZE!

THE UNION MUST AND SHALL BE PRESERVED!

THE GREAT CAMPAIGN

SPRING OF 1864!

While Generals Grant, Butler and others, with their brave and heroic soldiers are daily adding new laurels of victory to the preservation of our glorious Liberty and Union,

CROOKER BROS.

Now leave to announce to one and all that they are

STILL IN THE FIELD!

AT THE

OLD STORE

ONE DOOR EAST OF COUNTY OFFICES.

Where can be found the

Largest & Most Desirable

stock of goods ever offered in Steele County, consisting in part of

Domestic & Fancy Dry Goods.

HATS & CAPS,

Ladies' & Misses'

Hats, Shawls, Veils, &c., &c.,

Boots & Shoes,

LEATHER FINDINGS & GROCERIES.

of every variety and style, bought at prices much less than New York and Boston quotations, which we are able to offer on very reasonable terms. We do not deem it necessary to particularize, for we did Kelly's paper is not large enough. We also call particular attention to our

Manufacturing Department,

where can be had, at the shortest possible notice every variety of

BOOTS & SHOES,

SEWED OR PEGGED.

made to order by the best workmen the trade affords

Come One, Come All. Give us a Call!

TERMS CASH OR READY PAY.

Owatonna, June 2nd, 1864. v2n6tf.

SAMUEL FRIEND,

DEALER IN

READY-MADE

CLOTHING

HATS & CAPS,

BOY'S CLOTHING,

AND

GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS,

AT THE

People's Store,

Bridge St., Owatonna, Minn.

The undersigned begs leave to inform the citizens of Owatonna and vicinity that he has rented the new building on Bridge St., called the

DRESSER BUILDING,

where he will keep constantly on hand a

Full & Fashionable Assortment

OF ALL KINDS OF

GENTS' READY-MADE CLOTHING,

&c., &c., &c.

Being connected with the large and extensive Wholesale Clothing House of

H. FRIEND & BRO.,

of Milwaukee, I flatter myself that I can suit you all in

QUALITIES & PRICES.

Remember the

PEOPLE'S STORE,

SAMUEL FRIEND.

Having taken charge of the PEOPLE'S STORE, I will endeavor to please my friends that will favor me with their patronage, and satisfy them in all respects. Try me and give me a call.

Respectfully,
J. NEWSALT, People's Agent.

Owatonna, May 12th, 1864. v2n3tf.

J. H. WINTER.

D. N. RUSSELL.

Winter & Russell,

AT THE

Metropolitan Store, on Third Street,

Have received direct from Boston,

THE FIRST ARRIVAL OF THE SEASON.

And hereafter will be constantly in receipt of new

SPRING GOODS,

DIRECT FROM EASTERN MARKETS.

THEY OFFER

RARE BARGAINS

IN

DRY GOODS

STAPLE AND FANCY

consists in part of

Shirtings, Stripes, Checks, Denims, Tickings, Cottons, Jeans, Linseys, Cassimeres, Duckings, Broad Cloths, Cloakings, Sattinets, Korsey, Flannels Cotton & Woolen, Tweeds and Plantation Cloths,

PRINTS, ALAPACCAS, TIEBETS, PLAIDS, PARAMETTAS, WORSTED, GINGHAMS, DE LAINES, MERINOES, REPS, SILKS, GOODS, of all kinds!!

THE GEMS OF THE SEASON.

Hoop Skirts

AND

BALMORALS.

MOURNING GOODS!

Our stock of Mourning Goods is full and complete, of every desirable style, quality and price! CRAPES, GINGHAMS, DE LAINES, SILKS, WORSTED, &c., &c., &c.,

LOOK OUT FOR COLD WEATHER!

CLOTHING!

If the next Draft don't exceed 600,000, we can clothe the whole army.

OVER COATS,

UNDER COATS,

of every quality and grade for winter.

PANTS AND VESTS

of latest fashions and every desirable material for winter wear.

BLACK DRESS SUITS!

As there has always been a want of care in the selection of good clothing by purchasers for this market, we would inform the public that we have taken pains to purchase the VERY BEST quality and workmanship.

Boots & Shoes

FOR ALL!!

From the smallest boy baby to the largest overgrown man!! Among which are LADIES' BALMORAL BOOTS—Cloth, Kid and Morocco, plain and tipped, and all other kinds.

BARBIE'S CHILDREN'S AND MISSES' SLIPS, SHOES, BOOTS, GAITERS, BALMORALS & LACED BOOTS.

of superior quality and workmanship, and selected with special reference to the wants of this community

HATS & CAPS

FOR MEN AND BOYS.

Scott, McClellan, Burnside, Kosuth, Old Brains Rosecrans, Grant and Honest Old Abe Hats and Caps, French and American Manufacture!

Gloves and Mittens

SHEEP SKIN, BUCK SKIN, BEAVER SKIN, SEAL SKIN, KID SKIN, COTTON and OTTER SKIN, WOOLEN—Lined and Unlined, large and small!

HOSIERY

For the Multitude!

Groceries

By the WHOLESALE, of every description.

HARDWARE!

A complete assortment, AXES, from the best manufacturers.

Crockery, Glassware and Kerosene Lamps!

A new and complete assortment. All the above with other articles too numerous to mention, will be sold

CHEAP FOR CASH.

THE HIGHEST PRICE

allowed for all kinds of

Country Produce

Agents for the Grand de Tour

PLOW.

decidedly the best in use.

PRICE LIST.

American Steele, - - - - \$14 25
do D. S., - - - - 15 25
Cast Steel, - - - - 17 25
Cast do D. S., - - - - 18 25
German Steel D. S., - - - - 16 25

Each Plow warranted in all cases, and if not a recommended money will be invariably refunded

WINTER & RUSSELL.

J. H. WINTER, Faribault, Nov. 18th, 1863. D. N. RUSSELL v2n30tf

Batchelder's Column.

NEW PLAN

—AT—

BATCHELDER'S BLOCK!

New Goods

EVERY WEEK

FRESH FROM

Boston,

NEW YORK

AND CHICAGO.

SELECTED BY

EXPERIENCED AGENTS,

AND ALWAYS OF THE

LATEST STYLES

AND AT THE

LOWEST PRICES.

I HAVE BOUGHT

MR. AUSTIN'S

ENTIRE STOCK OF

JEWELRY

Clocks &c.,

IN BATCHELDER'S BLOCK

AND SHALL

CLOSE THEM off CHEAP,

TO MAKE ROOM FOR THE

LARGE SUPPLIES

NOW COMING IN

TO MEET THE WANTS OF OUR

Increasing Trade.

G. F. BATCHELDER.

Boots & Shoes

AT

BATCHELDER'S.

BOOTS AND SHOES for Ladies, Misses, Men, Boys, Children, Babies.

FROM THE FINEST GAITER

TO THE

HEAVIEST THICK BOOT.

CUSTOM MADE—WARRANTED.

NEW

GOODS

THIS

WEEK

AT

BATCHELDER'S

April 4th, 1864.

QUICK

SALES

AND

SMALL

PROFITS

AT

BATCHELDER'S

Faribault, April 21st, 1864. 82-1y.

1864. READY FOR THE SPRING TRADE. 1864.

WE ARE NOW OPENING AND CONSTANTLY RECEIVING

FRESH SUPPLIES OF

CONSISTING IN PART OF
Men's Custom Stags Boots, Eastern " Kip " Custom " " Custom Brogans, Eastern " Kip, Oxford Ties, Women's Custom and Eastern Shoes, Prunell and Morocco Heel Congress Gaiters, Gaiters, & Children's Shoes, all kinds. De Coy Hooks, Men's Hats, Boy's Hats and Caps, Ready Made Clothing, Crockery & Glassware, all kinds.
Brown Sheet, Bleached " Shirting, Stripe and Ticking, Denims, Blue and Brown, Prints, Gingham, De Laines, Shells, Lawns and Plaids, HOOP SKIRTS & BALMORALS, Ladies' & Children's Trimmed Hats, Shakers of all kinds, Cottonades, Tweeds, &c., &c., Kentucky Jeans, Salinets, Cassimeres, Ladies' Clocks, Table Linen, Oil Cloths, Hosiery & Gloves,

WHICH WE ARE OFFERING TO EXCHANGE FOR CASH.

MORFORD & WILLSEY,

OWATONNA, MINNESOTA.

Owatonna, Minnesota, May 12th, 1864. v2n31tf.

THE HEADQUARTERS FOR

Dry Goods, Groceries, Boots & Shoes, Hats & Caps, &c.,

Is at the HOOSIER STORE, Owatonna, Minnesota.

HOPKINS & BUSEY have just received a very large stock of NEW GOODS of all descriptions, and are now offering them at GREATLY REDUCED PRICES. Come every body and examine Goods and Prices. We take all kinds of PRODUCE in exchange for goods.

HOW TO THE AFFLICTED!

Gardner & Chase

have just purchased the

Drug Store,

formerly owned by C. W. Hastings, where we shall keep constantly on hand all kinds of

MEDICINES,

CHOICE CHEMICALS,

PATENT MEDICINES,

GLASSWARE,

PAIS BRUSHES,

YANKEE NOTIONS,

PURE WINES & LIQUORS for Medical

purposes.

KEROSENE OIL,

SEGARS,

and all kinds of

Groceries,

all of which we propose to sell cheaper than can be bought in this market.

ALL ARTICLES WARRANTED GENUINE.

Store on Main-St., one door west of the Post Office Owatonna, February 4th, 1864. 41-tf.

OWATONNA SELECT SCHOOL.

The second term of this Institution will commence on Monday the 18th day of April 1864 and continue eleven weeks.

Terms:

Common English, - - - - \$3.50.
Higher - - - - 4.50.
Tuition to be paid in advance.
Grateful for past patronage, the future cooperation of the public is respectfully solicited.
A. A. HAR

TREMENDOUS EXCITEMENT!

Great Rush to the Ready Pay Store of

Dresser Bros.

We are receiving one of the largest stocks of Clothing ever brought to this market, comprising Over Coats, Dress Coats, Pants, Vests, &c.—Prints from 12 1/2 to 22 cts. per yard. Factory cloth from 20 to 35 cts. per yard. Also overalls and drawers. Buckskin gloves and mittens. Red waist and cotton flannel.

We have a large stock of HATS, CAPS, BOOTS, SHOES, GLOVES, MITTENS, CUFFS, COLLARS, and many other articles of the best quality and at the lowest rates.

Hats & Caps

of the latest styles, comprising Fur Hats and Felt Hats.

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such as Ladies Gaiters, Buckskin, Halmorals and other varieties of Ladies shoes, coarse and fine men's and boys' Boots & Shoes of the best quality and at the lowest rates.

Amputation of all kinds. Tobacco of the best quality. All Clothing sold by us will be cut **FREE OF CHARGE**. Persons will thus save one shilling per yard, as we will sell clothes as cheap as the cheapest and throw the cutting in.

Custom Made Clothing made at short notice. Remember the dress DRESSER BROTHERS and fail to call.

Cash paid for bills and furs and all kinds of grain received in pay for goods.

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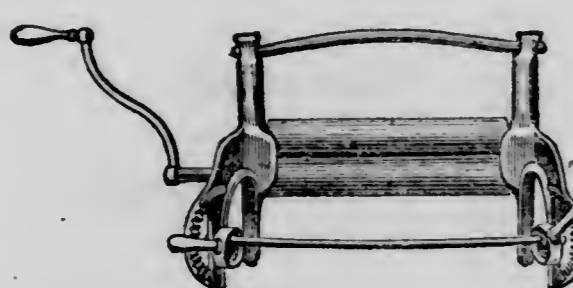
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Respectfully,
JOHN W. WHEELER,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Many years' experience in the galvanizing business enable me to endorse the above statement in all particulars.

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No. 100 Lockman Street,
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Where he will keep constantly on hand the best quality of Beef and all other kinds of meat. We buy only such

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Also a great variety of

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all of which we propose to sell cheaper than can be bought in this market.

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Store on Main-St., one door west of the Post Office

Owatonna, February 4th, 1864. 41-tf.

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Terms:—

Common English, \$1.50.

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Tuition to be paid in advance.

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Consistently has not the least doubt of giving entire satisfaction to all that favor him with their patronage. Room (at present) Marford's Hall, Owatonna, Steele Co., Minn. F. R. FENNO. v1n1

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C. J. Aldrich,

Manufacturer of all kinds of

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Hastings, Minn. April 21st, 1864. 52-ly.

WINONA & ST. PETER R. R.

On and after Tuesday, February 23d, 1864, an

Accommodation train

will run as follows:

Leave Winona at 7 a. m.

Arriving at St. Charles at 9:30 a. m.

Returning, leave St. Charles at 2:30 p. m.

Arriving at Winona at 4:15—

Stages leave St. Charles for Chaffee, Rochester, Owatonna, Mankato, St. Peter, Fairbault, Northfield, and intermediate points, and at Winona for St. Paul and La Crosse connecting with Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway for all points East and South. [43] JOHN NEWELL, Superintendent.

THE LEE FAMILY

From the New York Times.

"When monkeys are gods what must the people be?" Robert E. Lee, commander of the rebel army, is deemed the paragon of Southern chivalry. The rebels have always been vain of being led by one of such pure blood, such stainless honor. Justly enough by their standard. But let us put him to a civilized test.

What is his blood? His grand-father, R. H. Lee, had the taint of treason in him. Writing in 1790, on the Federal Constitution, he said, "When we [the south] attain our natural degree of population, I flatter myself that we shall have the power to do ourselves justice, with dissolving the bond which binds us together." His great uncle, "Light-Horse Harry," was stigmatized by Jefferson who knew him well, as an "intriguer," "an informer," a "miserable tergiversator."

Major Gen. Chas. Lee, of Revolutionary memory, and a kinsman, was, as one may see by Irving's Washington, not only a calumniator of Washington, but was a plotter to supersede him; he was tried by court martial after the battle of Monmouth, was found guilty of disobedience of orders, misbehavior before the enemy, and disrespect to the Commander-in-Chief; was subsequently dismissed from the service in disgrace, and soon afterward died in Berkeley county, Virginia, leaving in his will these words: "I desire most earnestly that I may not be buried in any church or churchyard, or within a mile of any Presbyterian or consecrated meeting house; for, since I resided in this country, I have kept so much bad company; while living that I do not choose to come out in it when dead."

The great uncle, Arthur Lee, was the rebel of Franklin and Jay and Jefferson, and is described by Tucker, in his life of the latter, to have been "singularly impracticable in his temper and disposition." The uncle Henry Lee, was in Congress at the time of the Presidential struggle between Jefferson and Burr, and, according to Tucker, advised "desperate measures" to defeat the former; and he was a man of such bad character that when, in 1830, Gen. Jackson, whose fiery partisan he had been, sent his nomination to the senate for the consulship at Algiers, Mr. Tazewell, of the council party and State, Chairman on Foreign Relations, reported against it, and it was unanimously rejected. It would be difficult to name an old family in this country, of any historical mark, whose blood has been shown to be of worse quality than that of the Lees of Virginia.

But it is not family that makes the gentleman or the reverse. It is personal honor. Has Robert E. Lee this? We say emphatically that he has it not. He is deficient in its very first and most essential element—truth. He is as mendacious as Beauregard himself. This can be proved incontestably, and that without going back to the history of the last fortnight. On the 14th of this month he issued an address to his soldiers, which we have published. It is brief, but it contains five broad falsehoods.

The first is that "a part of the enemy's force threatening the Valley of Virginia has been routed by Gen. Imboden, and driven back to the Potomac." This, if it means anything refers to the withdrawal of Sigel across the Shenandoah, when confronted with superior forces. He experienced no route, and little loss, and instead of being driven back to the Potomac, was then seventy miles south of the Potomac.

The second is that "a portion of Gen. Averill's forces had been dispersed by Gens. Morgan and Jones, who are in pursuit of the remainer." There was no such dispersion, no pursuit. Gen. Averill most successfully accomplished the destruction of connections and stores, and everything which he undertook.

The third is that "Northern journals of the 10th inst. announce the surrender of Gen. Steele, in Arkansas, with an army of nine thousand men." The Northern journals of that date, or of any other date, made no such announcement, except as reproduced in extracts from Richmond papers, which their own advices from Arkansas had previously contradicted. Gen. Lee has been guilty of trickery of impugning to the Northern papers

statements which are expressly given as rebel representations.

The fourth is that "the cavalry force sent out by Grant to attack Richmond has been repulsed, and retired toward the Peninsula." This relates to Gen. Sheridan's expedition, the most dashing, brilliant, and completely successful raid of the war. It was never sent to "attack Richmond," was never repulsed, but went straight through like a besom of destruction, from the Potomac to the James, in spite of Job Stuart, who perished in his effort to prevent.

The fifth is that "every demonstration of the enemy south of James River has, up to this time been successfully repelled." On the contrary, every demonstration, without an exception has been successful, for at that time, the demonstration upon Fort Duff had not been made, and those upon the railroads had invariably succeeded, and positions had been secured of great importance, which our forces held, and still hold, in defiance of the enemy.

Now these misstatements must have been wilful. They are of a character that precludes the possibility of their being the product of mere misapprehension. Lee deliberately and flagitiously lied. If it be said in his behalf that he did it in order to keep up the drooping spirits of his soldiers, we have to say that it is an expedient which no soldier of honor ever adopts. No commander of the army of the Potomac has been guilty of anything of the kind. Grant or Meade would die on the spot before they would degrade their own manhood, and insult the manhood of their soldiers, by such deception.

The simple truth is that the very fact of a soldier's abandoning his flag involves an abandonment of character. Lee received his military education from the Government, had been constantly honored and trusted by the Government, and it was the extreme of perfidy in him to turn traitor against the Government. The soul that could once work itself up to a crime like that is capable of any violation of personal honor or moral duty. Amazement is often expressed at the displays of turpitude by rebels who were formerly reputed high-minded men.

But we do not sufficiently appreciate the terribly demoralizing effect of the very act of committing treason. It is not morally impossible to perpetrate this supreme crime without wrenching and in fact breaking down the whole moral nature. Treason cannot be committed on any scale without its malignity extending to every part of the moral constitution. Fidelity lies at the very core of sound character, and when that rots, all rots.

THEY ALL WILL DO SO.

A young man, the son of a well-to-do farmer, had the misfortune to become deeply enamored of a young lady, and, after a brief courtship, proposed and was accepted. But what was his surprise, one evening, when about entering the parlor with the uncerimonious freedom of a young lover, at discovering his inamorata upon the sofa, her arms around the neck of a neighboring youth, her lips in such blissful proximity to his, as to convince our hero that matters were fearfully in earnest. In rage and mortification he rushed homeward, arriving there just in time to surprise his only sister, the pious wife of the village minister, "squeezing to kill" a young disciple of Blackstone. Nearly frantic at such unlooked-for disclosures among people he had believed little lower than the angels, he made a bold dash for the barn, running directly upon his mother kissing the old family physician, who had "stole a march" upon her as she was looking after the poultry. This was too much, and with a groan the young man turned, undiscovered, away resolved to pass the night with his grief beneath the stars, fearful of further revelations should he venture beneath the shelter of another roof. The light of morning encouraged him, however, and dew-drenched and sorrowful he sought his home, when his mother with true maternal solicitude, questioned him as to the cause of his sad looks, whereupon he related briefly the inconstancy of his fair betrothed, receiving in reply the gratifying intelligence that she was a good-for-nothing, miserable hussy, and he must never speak to or notice again one so wholly unworthy.

"But mother," he continued, falteringly, "that is not all."

"Not all? What can there be more?" was the next question.

"Why when I hastened home, what should I find but my sister, my godly sister, in the arms of a rascally young lawyer."

"Your sister?" shrieked the outraged mother, "my child? The ungrateful creature! Is it for this I have given her a home and cared for her husband and children? I will do it no longer; such conduct is infamous—and to be disgraced! She shall leave to-day, and never enter my presence again."

"But this is not the worst, mother."

"Not the worst! I can imagine nothing worse; what can it be?"

"When sick and discouraged by such repeated exhibitions of sin, I left the house determined to pass the night in the barn; I there found my mother kissing old Dr. F."

"You did?"

"I did."

"Well, never mind, my son; they all will do so."

Napoleon and the French People.

Horace Greeley publishes a private letter from a friend in France which asserts that the French army are heartily sick of Napoleon. The writer says:

"I am astonished at the state of things; I never could have believed it. On my saying a word about the Emperor and Mexico, peasants, farmers, bourgeois, private soldiers and officers, go off into torrents of invective against the Emperor, such as I could hardly have imagined, and that in the presence of an Englishman. Such days as those of Louis XVI, and Marie Antoinette may not be so distant as people suppose. The French are a fierce, fiery and haughty race, and I can only look on the Emperor as sitting on the peak of a volcano in imminent danger of eruption. You will naturally want to know what the French themselves put forward as their principal grievances:

I. For each of the last three years, the Conscription has been 100,000 a year, the previous maximum having been only 40,000.

II. One hundred thousand having been sent to Mexico, (and the French hate sea voyages,) of which only 55,000, at most, remain alive.

III. That the regiments sent to Mexico were selected as being the most Republican, the most Legitimist, or the most Orleanist, and the Bonapartist regiments kept at home.

IV. That Republican, Legitimist and Orleanist officers were unfairly exchanged into the doomed regiments.

V. That the luxury, vice and extravagance of the Court are beyond measure, and the finances of the country are seriously suffering therefrom.

VI. That the turbulent policy of the Emperor is resuscitating the Holy Alliance, viz: Prussia, Austria and Russia against France. (There is no doubt that this is quite true.) The French don't like to be brought, without cause, into a war with three nations at a time, and they think—I believe with justice—if not with three, then with four—*fearful odds!* Alas Italy—that makes five. Then the whole Mohammedan population of Africa, with Turkey, six. A very poor look out."

The Dress Reform.—We observe that this movement is meeting with much favor throughout the country. Last Sunday a large number of our most wealthy and fashionably dressed ladies, appeared in our city churches clad in calico. This move is certainly a wise and patriotic one, and if entered into with the proper spirit, will prove a benefit to those who adopt it, in more senses than one. But we pray all who join the movement to do so from a hearty renunciation from the ruling love for fashion, display and extravagance; and they will be better members of society, as well as helpers of our country's finances.—Rockford (Ill.) Democrat.

A LADIES' ANTI-IMPORTATION UNION has been organized in Cincinnati, Ohio. Officers were appointed, and a pledge signed by those present not to purchase, during the war, any imported article where home manufactures can possibly be substituted.

The Owatonna Plaindealer.

OFFICIAL PAPER OF THE COUNTY.
THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 1864.

Atlanta.
The objective point of Sherman's division at the present time is Atlanta. It has about 25,000 inhabitants, and is located in an elevated and salubrious section of the State, upon the dividing line in Fulton county, between the cotton-growing and grain-producing regions, and is three hundred and ten miles from Savannah, three hundred and seven miles from Charleston, one hundred and seventy-five miles from Montgomery, Ala., one hundred and thirty-six miles from Chattanooga, three hundred and twelve miles from Knoxville, and seven hundred and ninety miles from Richmond. Four railroads communicate with Atlanta, and form a junction there—the Western or Georgia State railroad, the Macon and the Atlanta-Montgomery railroad.

Atlanta is the great military depot of rebellion, and it is here that the naval supplies are stored. There is an armory at Atlanta, a chemical laboratory and a sword factory. Shells, solid shot, siege guns, field pieces and mountain howitzers are cast there. Percussion caps, cavalry saddles, artillery harness, gun carriages, ambulances, army wagons, tents, and all the shoes and clothing for the Western Department, are made at Atlanta. The armory turns out muskets of the Springfield pattern, and rolling mills stretch the plates for the rebel iron-clads. Large quantities of meat are packed there for the army.

The Death of Mr. Giddings.

[From the Montreal Gazette.]
We regret to hear of the sad and sudden death of Mr. Joshua Reed Giddings, the United States Consul General for Canada. He died in the billiard room of the St. Lawrence Hotel, last night, at a quarter to ten o'clock. He had played one game of billiards, and was playing another, in good spirits, at the moment he was stricken down by a disease (an affection of the heart, we believe), to which he has long been subject. A bystander reports to us that in midst of his game he sat down and leaned forward, apparently in an insensible state. The bystanders raised him and carried him to a sofa at the side of the room, and, thinking that he labored under a fit of some kind, they applied water plentifully to his face—in fact doused his face with it. They again raised him up, and for a moment he seemed rally his mind and recover consciousness, but soon fell forward again insensible, and expired in about eight minutes from the time of the first attack. His medical attendant, (Dr. Sutherland,) we understand, was immediately sent for, but Mr. Giddings had ceased to live before he arrived. We hear that about a year ago he was severely attacked with the same disease. And it is a fact that in May, 1856, he suddenly fell down on the floor in Congress, while in the act of making a speech. In January 1858, he fell down in the same way, and was for some time supposed to be dead.

Point to Pickles for the Army.

Mrs. L. A. Thomas, of Dubuque, sends us the following recipe for preparing potato pickles for the Army:

"Slice the potatoes without peeling, add a good supply of onions, chopped cabbage, horse radish, and pepper, and one pound of mustard seed, to the barrel, fill with cold cider vinegar sufficient to cover the pickles, head up the barrel, and by the time it reaches the field the pickles will be fit for use. Be careful to use cold vinegar, as hot or warm vinegar will make the potatoes soft and worthless. This kind of pickles are far preferable to any others that can be sent to the army, and can be made at any time when potatoes are in season.

It is now definitely ascertained that the evacuation of Washington N. C., was done by the express orders of Gen Grant, and that every dollar's worth of property belonging to the Government and soldiers enlisted in that vicinity, was brought away. Every man, woman and child desirous of leaving with our forces was taken away, and when the pace into rebel hands, they obtained not the slightest object of value belonging to the Government.

ADMIRAL LEE has organized a torpedo and picket division for clearing the banks of the James river of torpedoes. The division consisted of three gunboats, seven armed boats and 150 men, and preceded the fleet in its advance up the river. They have already secured eleven internal machines, four of which contained twelve hundred pounds, and one contained two thousand pounds of powder. They are all very well made and perfect affairs.

Educational.

LETTERS TO SCHOOL BOARDS.

NUMBER 1.

GENTLEMEN:—The office that you hold is as important as that of the teachers you employ. On your policy, to a great extent, will depend the moral and intellectual improvement of the children of your village or district, and moreover, the character of the schools under your control will give it a reputation either good or evil. Many rural districts are so unfortunate as not to afford men who are competent to hold the office of local directors or trustees. But it is not so in villages and cities. Some men of influence and leisure can be found, who, if they are not already qualified for this office, can have no better occupation than making the school interest their study, and devoting some time to the duties of School Boards. No district need be without competent school officers. Teachers have their Institutes and associations, which, when properly conducted, are very beneficial to them, but they need assistance that they do not get there, and you, gentlemen, as representatives of their pupils, owe it to them. Much is said and written about their duties and qualifications; but as a general thing they are disposed to do their whole duty, and often they would gladly do more than they do, but have not finances, and too often they find that their best and noblest efforts are not appreciated. The delinquency of duty in School Boards renders the efforts of teachers abortive, or at least imposes a great disadvantage upon them. Without doubt, many schools owe their failure to their teachers, but a great many more owe their failure to the errors of the school officers, and the folly of the parents of the pupils.

A parallel is to be found in church economy. Can a church be anything else but a failure when its membership does not afford persons fit to constitute a vestry? Even if these churches should have their pulpits supplied with able ministers, still without competent church officers the labors of the pastors would lose a great part of their efficacy. Active churches are those in which the clergy and laity cooperate and do their whole duty. So it is in school matters. Where teachers, parents, pupils, and School Boards cooperate, and all strive for the general improvement of the youth, there, learning prospers, and there is a good school.

In church affairs too much dependence is placed in the ministry. The laity imagine that if the clergy are competent for their office the church will prosper at all events. But such is not the fact. In schools too much responsibility is imposed upon the teachers, and they are held accountable for their success or failure. This is unjust and unfair. There is a limit to their responsibility. Let teachers, parents and School Boards take the subject into consideration, and they will discover the extent of their respective obligations to the school.

I need not now argue the importance of education to the young; I need not say to parents, love your children; but it may be appropriate to say, exercise your love wisely: in a manner that will do them permanent good, and prepare them for future usefulness and respectability. Much of this is the design of schools, and your indifference will greatly hinder what they might do. Give them your countenance, and manifest your interest in them; then will pupils and teachers be encouraged, and greater benefit will be rendered.

There are cases in medical practice in which nature and good nursing do more for the patient than the physician's treatment. He then basins of the wonderful cure that he has performed, and thus builds for himself a reputation among the credulous public. Another, with equal or greater skill, has a case that defies the wisdom of a whole medical faculty, and because he then fails he is pronounced a quack. We have teachers, who arrogate to themselves credit that belongs rightfully to the School Board, and the parents of the pupils, and we have teachers who are blamed for failures for which the parents at home are accountable. When children are well trained at home, and their minds awakened to an interest in study, and when judicious officers have charge of the school, success to the teacher is easy, and his work tells with a good effect. But when he gets no sympathy outside of his domain, and the Boards take no pains to make themselves acquainted with his operations, and to sustain him therein, and when ignorant and querulous persons are suffered, without rebuke, to deal out their exaggerated and ill-timed complaints, which have originated among spoiled children, it is less strange that the teacher should be

driven from his post than that he should succeed at all. Such cases too often occur. Heavy burdens are imposed upon teachers, and then they are blamed for breaking down under them, and their reputation is blasted, and the youth of the district become notorious for their lawless character. Crafty teachers as well as crafty politicians are often more concerned about the spoils of their office than the interest of those whose servants they are, or about the interest of their profession. The whole policy of some of them is to conciliate the school officers so as to sustain a claim to the public money, and many persons are too reckless or too short-sighted to understand the trickery that is used.

Judicious School Boards who are attentive to their duty, can remedy these and many other evils, and it is a work of genuine benevolence and one which should not be neglected a day longer.

Gentlemen, there is no danger of your school being too well managed, but there is great danger of their being utterly inadequate to their object.

A. A. HARTWOOD,

Captain Superintendent of Schools.

NEWS ITEMS.

—The small pox is very prevalent in New York and according to a correspondent of the Philadelphia Press, it is of a virulent type; that of the genuine confluent disease. In some cases, bodies have been buried in wrappers, having nearly lost all shape and cohesion. A slight motion of the danger apprehended has been conveyed to the public through the action of the Health Commissioners, who have directed the immediate removal of infected persons to the hospitals, whenever the residue of physician may see fit to request such measures.

—The Richmond *Wiley* of the 23d says: "We are glad to be able to state, upon the authority of his medical director, that General Longstreet has so far recovered from the wound he received in the battle of the Wilderness that he expects to take the field in about three weeks."

—The torpedo boat, which blew up the *Housatonic* on Charleston bar in February last, and crew have been lost. A Richmond paper says the boat must have gone into the hole made in the *Housatonic* by the explosion of the torpedo, and had not power sufficient to back out, and subsequently sunk with her.

—General E. Johnston was captured by Frank Tipton, of the Maine Seventh. He took the rebel by the collar and told him he was a prisoner, when Johnston replied, that he should not surrender to any one but the commander of the force. His captor replied: "Don't know anything about that; you can't get away from me!"—and he took him Gen. Hancock.

—It is the late attack on Gen. Will's colored troops on James River Captain Wilde, brother of the General, was struck on the forehead by a spent ball, but is not mortally wounded.

LATEST NEWS.

WASHINGTON, June 6—7 P. M.

To Major General Dix:
Dispatches from Grant's headquarters to 6 o'clock last evening state that there had been no fighting during the day.

The enemy made an attack on Saturday night upon Hancock's right, but were everywhere repulsed. Hancock's lines are but forty yards from the rebel works.

The rebels were very busy on Saturday in constructing intrenchments on the west side of the Chickahominy and Bottoms Bridge. They also threw a party across to the east side.

A dispatch from Sherman, dated yesterday, states that the enemy, discovering us moving around his right flank, abandoned his position last night, and marched off. McPherson is moving to-day for Ackworth. Thomas is on the direct march, and Schofield is on the right. It has been raining hard for three days, and the roads are very heavy.

The rebels had an immense line of works which we have turned with less loss to us than to them.

(Signed) E. M. STANTON.

Secretary of War

New York, May 28.

The war correspondent of the Richmond *Examiner* tells us Lee left Spottsylvania N. C.

He says a reconnaissance made an assault upon the Union works as ordered, when their occupants were driven from them. It was now discovered, he says, that the enemy were rapidly moving the whole army on our right flank, and had been since daybreak, the force in our front being a more handful who had been left to keep up appearances. Soon after this reconnaissance was over, everything and every body was on the move with us.

By an act which has passed the House of Representatives, and will probably pass the Senate, persons manufacturing or circulating gold, or any other "tokens" bearing a resemblance to the coins of the United States, will subject themselves to a fine of three thousand dollars and five years' imprisonment. This is aimed at the private mints of the gold region, and at the manufacturers of cent tokens.

A LATE New York letter, speaking of Gov. Seymour's extraordinary attempt to bring about a collision between State and Federal authority—which is likely to fail after all remarks: "Let no man imagine that the Governor's course in this matter is not already pregnant with much mischief. The effect of it is to keep alive agitation and excitement, stimulate the worst passions of wicked men against the Federal authority, and reinvigorate the mob spirit, in view of the next draft for troops."

Dr. MORRIS, the discoverer of anesthetics, writing of an interview which he had with Gen. Grant after reaching the army week before last, relates: "It would not be proper, I suppose, to write you the General's remarks on the campaign, but I must tell you that in answer to my question, 'How long is this deadly conflict to last?' he replied, in his cool, unassuming way, 'Perhaps until the Fourth of July, and we shall have all the time supplies and reinforcements, which they can't get.'"

The Seventh Minnesota has been assigned to the Sixteenth Army Corps, which is now with Sherman.

New Advertisements.

LIST OF LETTERS remaining in the Post Office at Owatonna June 9th, 1864.
Adair W. H. McKnight Jr.
Bowell Robert A. Elizabeth Southworth J. Wells
Dodge Lucinda State Fred
Watkins Tersey
W. H. WADSWORTH, P. M.

WANTED!
FOR which good Real Estate security \$175, will be given by REGISTER'S OFFICE.

Wool! Wool!
CASH paid for WOOL, at Fairbanks. Call on W. J. JUDY, EASTMAN, GIBSON, & CO., Minneapolis, June 9th, 1864.

NOTICE. The Partnership of John A. Campbell & Co. is this day dissolved by mutual consent. The business will be conducted at the old stand, under the name of "Campbell & Co." All outstanding accounts and debts of the former firm will be settled by R. J. Jones. Those indebted will please call and settle immediately. R. J. JONES, J. CAMPBELL, n7-4t

Owatonna, June 4th, 1864.

PROBATE COURT, County of Steele, ss. In the matter of the estate of William A. Williamson of the County of Steele, deceased. On filing the petition of Lucinda C. Williamson, praying that letters of administration be granted to her and Geo. W. Williamson as co-administrators. Ordered that public notice be given by publishing a true copy of this order three weeks successively in the *Plaindealer* at Owatonna, prior to the first Monday in July next, that all persons interested may appear at a Probate Court, then to be held at Owatonna, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause if any they have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted. R. G. LINCOLN, Judge of Probate.

WINONA & ST. PETER R. R.

1861. FURNISH ARRANGEMENT. 1864.

On and after Wednesday, June 1st, 1864, a

Passenger Train

will run as follows, Sundays excepted:
Leave Winona at 6:30 a. m.
Arriving at St. Charles at 8:35 a. m.
Returning leave St. Charles at 10:30 a. m.
Arriving at Winona at 12:35 p. m.
Connecting with the Splendid Pullman Coaches of the La Crosse and Northwestern Packet Companies, for all points East and South.
The Minnesota Stage Company's fast line of Stage Coaches leave St. Charles daily on arrival of the train for Clifton, Rochester, Owatonna, Manhattan, St. Peter, and all other points in Southern Minnesota. 45 JOHN NEWELL, Superintendent.

WOOL CARDING.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

MESSES. EASTMAN, GIBSON, & CO., Having purchased the CARDING MACHINE of A. WALCOTT, are prepared to

Card Wool

In the most thorough manner. They have engaged a competent man, and having thoroughly repaired the machine, feel satisfied the work can be done better than ever before. Until their WOOLEN MILL is finished, the machines will run in the building occupied by Mr. Walcott. The

HIGHEST MARKET PRICE.

Paid for Wool. EASTMAN, GIBSON, & CO., Minneapolis, June 9th, 1864.

NEW BARBER SHOP.

EDWARD PAINE

WOULD announce to the people of Owatonna, that he has opened a

BARBER, SHAMPOOING

AND

HAIR DRESSING SHOP.

in the building of V. V. Middaugh on Bridge St., where he may be found at all hours of the day and evening. Particular attention paid to the COLORING AND DRESSING of Ladies' and Gents' hair, agreeable to the latest style. E. PAINE, v24-tf.

American Hotel.

J. B. CORY, Proprietor, Broadway, Owatonna, Minn. The Proprietor has fitted up the old corner of the American Hotel, and has all the conveniences for the traveling season, both for men and women.

DEFAULT having been made in the payment of the sum of three hundred and thirty-four dollars, which is claimed to be due at the date of this notice on a certain mortgage bearing date October Twenty-third 1856, executed by James M. Follett to John H. Abbott, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, ss. in County, State of Minnesota on the 27th day of October A. D. 1855, in Book "A" of Mortgages, on pages 129 and 130, which said mortgage was duly assigned by said John H. Abbott to Dexter Smith and Levi Bailey on the 26th day of April A. D. 1864, by indenture of assignment duly acknowledged and recorded, and no part of the sum above due has having been paid, and no proceedings either at law or otherwise having been instituted for the recovery thereof. Now therefore, notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of a power of sale contained in said mortgage and of the Statute in such case made and provided said mortgage will be foreclosed by sale at public vendue of the mortgaged premises described in said mortgage, to wit: The west half of the south east quarter of Section seventeen (17) Township 106 north, Range 20 west, in the County of Steele and State of Minnesota, together with the appurtenances thereto belonging. Said sale will be made at the Register's Office in the town of Owatonna, in said county on the 3d day of June, A. D. 1864, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to satisfy the amount due on said mortgage and costs of sale, and also the sum of \$24.82 taxes paid by the Mortgagee on said premises. Dated April 28th, 1864.

DEXTER SMITH, Assignee.

LEVI BAILEY, Assignee.

W. R. KINSON, Attorney.

Notice is hereby given that the above sale is postponed to the 11th day of June, 1864, at the same time and place. Dated June 3d 1864.

DEXTER SMITH, Assignee.

LEVI BAILEY, Assignee.

W. R. KINSON, Attorney.

IDAHO DEPOSITS!!

B. Chambers

WOULD inform the citizens of Owatonna and everybody else that he has removed his stock of Goods from Main-St. to Broadway, in his store

ONE DOOR WEST OF EUREKA HOUSE,

where he has a large and extensive assortment of

Groceries

SUCH AS

Teas, Sugars,

Syrups,

Coffees,

Spices,

&c., &c.

All kinds of

Dried Fruits

and everything else calculated to suit the most delicate appetites.

He also wishes to inform the public that he has a large assortment of

BOOTS & SHOES.

of all sizes and descriptions, of the best quality.

His goods are new and fresh, brought for cash down, and will not be undersold.

Idaho, Gold, Dred, Greenbacks, and all kinds of

COUNTRY PRODUCE

taken in exchange.

Owatonna, April 25th, 1864. v24-tf.

THE HEADQUARTERS FOR

Dry Goods, Groceries, Boots & Shoes, Hats & Caps, &c.,

is at the HOOSIER STORE, Owatonna, Minnesota.

HORN & BERRY have just received a very large stock of NEW GOODS of all descriptions, and are now offering them at

EXTRA LOW PRICES. Come every body and examine Goods and Prices. We take all kinds of PRODUCE in

exchange for goods.

J. W. Andrews' Column.

IMPORTANT DISPATCHES!!

New Spring Goods,

Arrived and constantly arriving, at

ANDREWS' ONE PRICE STORE!!

Rochester, Minn.

Don't forget to call at the

CORNER BRICK STORE.

ANDREWS' ONE PRICE CASH STORE!

Goods Marked in Figures!

And where one man's cash is considered as good as

another's.

ANDREWS

Is receiving one of the

LARGEST & CHEAPEST

stock of goods ever brought into Minnesota.

A large assortment of

RICH DRESS GOODS,

from 15 cts. all the way up to 75 cts. per yard. A

large stock on

SUMMER SHAWLS,

\$1.50 for a very nice, rich looking shawl. Broche

Stella, Cashmere and Thibet Shawls—all good

quality and styles.

CLOAKS & SILK MANTILLAS,

a large variety: CLOAKINGS, a good article, as

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RICH DRESS SILKS,

Black, Brown, Plaid, &c., at prices ranging from

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At Andrews' Store

May be found a full stock of

DOMESTIC GOODS,

SHEETINGS, PRINTS, DENIMS, STRIPES, &c.

SHEETING and 3-4 FILLING CLOTH LINES

a great variety of PLAIN SCOTTONADES,

LINEN, DRESSING, &c., for Men and

Boys Summer Wear.

ALSO,

SUMMER CASSIMERES,

at prices far less than can be bought at Merchant

Tailors.

ANDREWS' EXCELSIOR CASH STORE

Is the place to buy

Alexander's Real Kid Gloves.

An endless variety of Kid Glove, Hosiery,

Men's, Women's and Children's Neck Ties, Linen

Hankies, &c. at 10 cts. each, 12 or Colored in

round boxes, ten in a box, and sold at a price above

what the boxes themselves are worth.

AT ANDREWS' STORE

Is kept a large stock of

Hats & Caps

of any shape, style and material that is desirable

for summer and fall wear. Also, Ladies' Hats—

Among the latter may be found good Hats at 50 cts.

each. A full assortment of Ribbons for trimming the

same. Also, desirable Trimming Ribbons. Also

Gripaw Edgings, assorted widths. Jet and other

Furbies. Remits of all kinds.

CLOTHING.

Linen Coats from \$1.25 to \$3.00; good Union

Coats from \$3.50 to \$5.00; and Fine Black all wool

Coats from \$5.00 to \$20.00; a very good pair of Pants

cost \$1.00, and very good ones for \$2.25.

Don't forget to ask for our SKELTON COATS,

at \$4.00 each, our finest quality of light Harris

Cassimere Pants and Vest for \$5.00 the suit.

Paper Hangings.

Border, Window Curtains, a well selected and

handsome stock; also, Drapery, Mullins, Damask,

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Crockery & Glassware.

Enquire for that splendid heavy ware, called our

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GROCERIES.

A full and complete stock. Good Tea from \$1.30

to \$1.75, unequalled in quality and price.

AT ANDREWS' STORE

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Women's Serge Gaiters from \$1.00 to \$1.75, Men's

Serge Lace Boots \$2.50 and Serge Shoes for \$2.00,

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Great Rush to the Ready Pay Store of
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We are receiving one of the Largest Stocks of Cloth and Clothing ever brought to this market, comprising Over-Coats, dress Coats, Pants, Vests, &c.—Prints from 12 1/2 to 22 cts. per yard. Factory cloth from 20 to 35 cts. per yard. Also overalls and drawers. Buckskin gloves and mittens. Red woolen and cotton flannel.

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Hats & Caps
of the Latest Style, comprising Pen Wool and Felt Boots & Shoes

such as Ladies Gaiters, Buckskin, Balanoras and other varieties of Ladies shoes, coarse and fine men's and boys' Boots & Shoes of the best quality and at the lowest rates.

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Custom Made Clothing at short notice. Remember these Dresser Brothers and fail not to call.

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A full assortment of all kinds of

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CONFECTIONS,

&c., &c., &c.

at **WILLIAMS & BIRFIELD'S.**

Highest price paid in cash for

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COVE OYSTERS,

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The ONLY reliable self-adjusting wringer.

The frame being of iron, thoroughly galvanized, all danger from rust is removed, and the liability to shrink, swell, split, &c., so unavoidable in wooden machines, is prevented.

No thumb-screws or complicated fastenings to wear out or get out of order; it can be fastened firmly to the tub in a single second.

WARRANTED WITH OR WITHOUT COG-WHEELS.

It took the **FIRST PREMIUM** at fifty-seven State and County Fairs in 1882, and is without exception, the best wringer ever made.

Instead of believing the statements of parties interested in the sale of other wringers.

TRY IT AND JUDGE FOR YOURSELF.

Test it THOROUGHLY with ANY and ALL clothes, and if not entirely satisfactory return it. It will wring anything from a towel to a bed quilt without alteration.

Patented in the United States, England, Canada, and Australia. Agents wanted in every town.

Enlarged men can make from \$5 to \$10 per day.

Putnam Manufacturing Co.

GENTLEMEN: I know from practical experience that iron well galvanized with zinc will not oxidize or rust one particle. I can safely say, after several years' experience in the manufacture of chain for chain-pumps and water-drawers, in which I have tested the affinity of iron and zinc, that if the process be conducted properly, it is a perfect weld of the two.

Nearly one year ago my family commenced using one of your Wringers. It now performs all of its functions as well as it did the first time it was used and has become an indispensable article with us. I have observed several other kinds of clothes wringers, the modes of operating being different, trying to produce the same results as the Putnam Wringer, but in my judgment they have failed. The Putnam Wringer is as near perfect as possible, and I can cheerfully recommend it to be the best in use. Respectfully yours,

JNO. W. WHEELER,
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Many years' experience in the galvanizing business enable me to endorse the above statement in all particulars.

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GRAIN ELEVATOR.

I will pay the highest price in CASH for

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Teams that want to go to Hastings will do well to sell their grain to me as I will load them both ways and pay cash for the hauling. I also have

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Hallo! Mr.,

Have you heard the News!

Pepper & Clements have dissolved

And Wm. Pepper is at his old stand in the

MEAT MARKET BUSINESS

Where he will keep constantly on hand the best

quality of Beef and all other kinds of meat. We

buy only such

for our market as are of the best quality and can

but give entire satisfaction to our customers. We

are renovating our Market and are determined not

to be surpassed by any other shop of this kind in the

country. We have all kinds of

constantly on hand for the comfort and convenience

of our patrons, as well as

CHEESE, BUTTER, LARD, &c.

All persons buying of us can have their packages

delivered anywhere in town free of charge. We are

keeping large quantities of everything in our line

on hand and can supply in or out of the county on

the shortest notice.

Our Market will be conducted agreeable to the

most improved style. All kinds of

WORKING CATTLE, MILCH COWS, &c.

bought and sold at this market, and the highest

cash price paid for Hides.

Owatonna, Oct. 23d, 1863. WM. PEPPER, 261

MILLINERY AND FANCY GOODS.

Consisting in part of

BONNETS

FEATHERS,

FLOWERS,

RIBBONS,

HATS, latest styles,

BALMORALS,

CLOAKS and

CLOAKINGS.

Also a great variety of

HOOPS, and new style CORSETS,

together with many other articles too numerous to

mention.

Tendering her grateful thanks for past patronage

she invites all to call and examine her new stock, at

the old stand, Broadway's old stand, Main-st.

Faribault, Minn., May 16th, 1864. 25 1/2

Wool! Wool!

CASH paid for WOOL at Faribault. Call on

W. S. LUDWIG, EASTMAN, GIBSON, & CO.,

Minneapolis, June 9th, 1864. n14

NOTICE: The Partnership of Chase & O-

gden, is this day dissolved by mutual con-

sent. The business will be conducted at the old

stand, under the name of "Chase & Ogd-

den." All outstanding accounts and bills of the former

firm will be settled by R. Jones. Those indebted

will please call and settle immediately.

R. JONES, n15

J. OPLINGER, n14

Owatonna, June 16th, 1864.

WOOL CARDING.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

MESSRS. EASTMAN, GIBSON & CO.,

Having purchased the CARDING MACHINE of A.

WALCOTT, are prepared to

Card Wool

in the most thorough manner. They have engaged

a competent man, and having thoroughly repaired

the machine, feel satisfied the work can be done

better than ever before. Until their WOOLLEN

MILL is finished, the machines will run in the build-

ing occupied by Mr. Walcott. The

HIGHEST MARKET PRICE.

Paid for Wool. EASTMAN, GIBSON, & CO.,

Minneapolis, June 9th, 1864. n14

NEW BARBER SHOP.

EDWARD PAINE

WOLFED announce to the people of Owatonna,

that he has opened a

BARBER, SHAMPOOING

AND

HAIR DRESSING SHOP,

in the building of V. Y. Middleburgh on Bridge St.,

where he may be found at all hours of the day and

evening. Particular attention paid to the

COLORING AND DRESSING

of Ladies' and Gents' hair, agreeable to the latest

style. E. PAINE, n24

H. O. TO THE AFFLICTED!

Gardner & Chase

have just purchased the

Drug Store,

formerly owned by C. W. Hastings, where we shall

keep constantly on hand all kinds of

MEDICINES,

CHOICE CHEMICALS,

PATENT MEDICINES,

GLASSWARE,

PAINT BRUSHES,

YANKEE NOTIONS,

PURE WINES & LIQUORS for Medical

purposes.

KEROSENE OIL,

SEGARS,

and all kinds of

Groceries,

all of which we propose to sell cheaper than can be

bought in this market.

ALL ARTICLES WARRANTED GENUINE.

Store on Main-St., one door west of the Post Office

Owatonna, February 14th, 1864. 41-1/2

OWATONNA SELECT SCHOOL.

The second term of this Institution will commence

on Monday the 18th day of April 1864 and continue

seven weeks.

Terms:

Common English, - - - \$1.50

Higher, - - - 4.00

Tuition to be paid in advance.

Gratuities for past patronage, the future coop-

eration of the public is respectfully solicited.

A. A. HARWOOD, Principal.

PICTURES! PICTURES!!

The undersigned having permanently located in

the village of Owatonna, Steele Co., Minn., would

respectfully announce to the people thereof and sur-

rounding counties, that he is now prepared to fur-

nish them with true and correct

LIKENESSES

of themselves and friends. Either

PHOTOGRAPHS, AMBROTYPE, OR

any other style of portraits known to the photo-

graphic fraternity. Having been in the business

for many years in New York he feels confident in

securing the public in this vicinity that his work is

AS GOOD AS THE BEST.

Consequently we need not the least doubt of giving

entire satisfaction to all that favor him with their pat-

ronage. Room (at present) Morford's Hall, Owatonna,

Steele Co., Minn. E. R. FENNO, n18

HASTINGS MARBLE WORKS.

C. J. Aldrich,

Manufacturer of all kinds of

Grave Stones, Monuments,

Furniture Marble, &c.

Hastings, Minn., April 21st, 1864. 52-1/2

MADISON MUTUAL INSURANCE CO.

OF MADISON, WIS.

Unimpaired Capital, \$473,170.84.

Whole number of Members 28,000

THIS IS A FARMER'S COMPANY.

INSURING ONLY FARM AND HOME-

STEAD PROPERTY.

A. M. KINYON, Agent,

Owatonna, Minn. n24

AN ADROIT RASCAL.

From Backwood's Magazine.

Towards the end of autumn of that last year of the war in the Crimea, a stout well dressed, portly man, with an air of considerable assurance, swaggered into the chancellery of her Majesty's legation at Munich, notwithstanding the representations of the porter, who would, if he had dared, have denied him admittance, and asked, in a voice of authority, if there were no letters there for Capt. F. The gentleman to whom the question was addressed was an attaché of the legation, but at that time in charge of the mission the minister being absent. Though young in years, F. could scarcely, in the length and breadth of Europe, have fallen upon one with a more thorough insight into every phase and form of those mysteries by which the F. category of men exist. Mr. L. was an actual amateur in this way, and was no more the man to be angry with F. for being a swindler than with Ristori for being Medea, or Macready for being Macbeth. Not that he had the slightest suspicion at the time of F.'s quality, as he assured him that there were no letters for that name.

"How provoking

The Owatonna Plaindealer.

OFFICIAL PAPER OF THE COUNTY.
THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 1864.

UNION PRESIDENTIAL TICKET.
1864.

FOR PRESIDENT:
ABRAHAM LINCOLN,
OF ILLINOIS.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT:
Andrew Johnson,
OF TENNESSEE.

BALTIMORE CONVENTION.

Our readers will notice that we have placed at the head of our columns the nominees of the Baltimore Convention, which was held last week for the purpose of nominating a President and Vice President, to be supported by the people of the United States at the Presidential Election next November.

Abraham Lincoln was nominated for the office of President of the United States by acclamation, every loyal State casting her entire vote for him except Missouri, which gave her vote for Lieut. Gen. Grant.

The old hero, Andrew Johnson, of Tennessee, was nominated for Vice President on the first ballot, by a heavy majority.

The Convention was fully represented from all the loyal States, and during all their deliberations peace and harmony prevailed throughout.

The candidates are too well known to require but a passing notice:

Abraham Lincoln has been the standard bearer of liberty for the last four years, and no one can doubt his fidelity to the cause of our common country or humanity, and will receive the hearty support of all loyal people.

Andrew Johnson, the candidate for Vice President, is a man nearly sixty years of age, and is strictly a self-made man, never attending school a day in his life. When an apprentice to learn the Tailor's trade he learned his letters after the labors of the day, and also to spell and read. He was fatherless at four years of age, and his mother poor. By his own exertions he continued to improve under the instruction of his wife, and when twenty-seven years old was elected to the State Legislature, and has since that time held some important office, either State or National, in the old Democratic Party, to which he has always been identified until the present rebellion.

All true patriots can but be well satisfied with the nominations, and will give them their hearty support next fall.

We may expect that the Copperheads of the country will write and hiss over the nominees and make use of every means in their power to distract the loyal people, hoping thereby that they may place a traitor in power, whose sympathies are with rebels, damn our beloved country forever, and cause all Hell to blash with shame.

NARROW ESCAPE OF GEN. LEE.—A Richmond paper says that when Hancock made his grand sloop on the rebel army and captured so many prisoners, Lee sat upon his horse barchaded, and uttered not a word, but looked "sublime." His companions shouted, "General Lee, go to the rear!" He heeded them not, but looked abstractedly upon the struggle. "Depend upon your Virginians!" was next exclamation, when the former outcries were repeated with the assurance that "they would not fail him." His horse was quickly led to the rear and his person saved from captivity. The rebels call this heroism and sublimity. To ordinary comprehension it was amazement and stupidity. Lee was confounded, and but for the presence of mind left with a few of his men, would now be in our hands a prisoner.

MR. WILKINSON. of the N. Y. Tribune, writes from Washington that Adj. Gen. Thomas will be in Kentucky next week, and two silver eagles will take an unusually high flight and then the slaves of Kentucky will be gathered in by this great recruiter with a rake that will not leave a county unvisited. The epoch of pro-Slavery bluster, Border-State sneaking and Military slave-driving is at an end. The negroes of Kentucky have got to fight for the Union. Gen. Thomas goes down with plenary powers, and carries in his pocket, to start with, the organization of three regiments, the names of qualified officers who have passed Casey's board. Sixteen regiments of Kentucky blacks will swell our ranks in a few weeks.

The N. Y. Times says the contest for Richmond will be fair to be prolonged and desperate. The World says it believes Richmond will be captured, but that it cannot do so this season.

INDIAN EXPEDITION.

Camp Pope, Miss., June 7th, 1864.

Respected Editor:—For the first time in my life I make the attempt to write a few lines for publication in your paper, which I hope may be worthy of your perusal, and the readers of the PLAINDEALER.

You are well aware that for seven months there has been fitting up an Expedition, which was to go out against the Indians this spring. Our fathers, our brothers and our sons have responded to the call and we are now marching on to meet, if possible, the savage foe that have so much depopulated our young State, and have killed so unsparingly the innocent, and left so many homes and hearts desolate. The very thought of the past makes our blood run cold in our veins. Long will the massacres of the Minnesota Valley be talked of, and just as long will hearts bleed for the fallen. But it will be useless for me to dwell on these sorrowful scenes of the past, the past is gone, the future is before us, and it is our duty to awake, and if possible secure to ourselves and to our children a perfect peace. This will hold true with regard to our National trouble. I am happy to think that the future looks thus favorable before us. It seems as though our eyes were being opened and that we could see more clearly. God grant success to our arms, and speed the day when this "cruel war" will be ended, and that those who have left their homes and hearthstones may return.

But I was going to tell you about the Expedition. The place originally designated as the starting point for the Expedition was Camp Pope, which is on the Redwood river, 25 miles above Ft. Ridgely, but the forces were all assembled at Fort Ridgely (with the exception of Co. A of the 2nd Cavalry, who have just joined us here) on the 5th inst., and the Expedition was ordered to move on the 6th. So yesterday morning at 6 o'clock A. M. we took up our line of march for Camp Pope, where we now are.

We found at this place one hundred and twenty-five ex teams, men with their families and all their effects, going to Idaho. These I have been collecting here for some time, from the various counties and towns in the State, and have been waiting for the Expedition to start, so that they could travel with safety on their journey. I do not know but they will make their "pile," as the old saying is, but in my opinion it is quite doubtful.

The Expedition is commanded by Col. M. T. Thomas, whose military abilities, will I think ensure a success for the Summer's Campaign. Col. Thomas was amongst the first to listen to his country's call, and at the battle of Bull Run he was 2nd Lieut. in Co. A of the 1st Reg. of Vols. Here he showed himself possessed with bravery and courage. Although this battle proved a failure on our part, yet he was not the man to flinch. He has a task now before him to perform, and may it be done well. The entire force is composed of ten companies of the 8th Reg. of Mounted Infantry, six companies of the 2nd Cavalry, companies A, B, C, and D, of the First Battalion, and companies G and K of the Second Battalion, also two Sections of Jones' Battery, consisting of 75 men, 2 six pound brass field pieces, and 2 Mountain Howitzers of twelve pounds. The first is commanded by Lieut. Col. Rogers of the 8th Reg., who was commander of the Fort at Fort Ripley the past winter. The second is commanded by Col. R. N. McLaughlin, whose character and rate abilities and noble deeds of the past, connected with the border rescue and fights of the two years past. The third is commanded by Capt. Jones, whose daring deeds are noble acts are deserving of much praise in the last year's campaign.

We have started out with 40 days' rations, and we are to join Brackett, who is coming up the James River with supplies. We are to strike the Missouri River 90 miles below the point where Gen. Sibley struck it last year. The Scouts report that there are 400 lodges of Indians there, and that they are waiting for us to come up there. They say they will fight us there and that they have force enough for us this year. All I wish is, I hope that they will come out and show their grit. This getting into the words is no Yankee way of fighting. Time will tell, all we have is to move on as fast as possible, and meet them if possible, for the summer is fast passing. We have obstacles, many of them, to encounter, both for man and beast, and they will be increased if there be no rain soon.

The health of the troops is good, and with the blessing of our Heavenly Father, we may look for success, both South and North, and may He who "Tempests the wind to the shorn lamb" see "this image" ere long and deliver us from all our enemies and give us peace as such a peace as will correspond with the Bible, on the grounds of justice. This is the peace we desire, and God grant that soon it may be ours to enjoy.

Yours Respectfully,
E. S. WILLIAMSON.

NEWS ITEMS.

—The Montreal Gazette of the 4th says: Among the arrivals yesterday at the St. Lawrence Hall was Miss Bella Boyd, of the Confederate States of America. The name of this lady is familiar to our readers through the telegraphic reports from the south, in which her exploits as a secret agent of the Confederates have so frequently been related.

—Minister Corwin has had several interviews with Secretary Seward and the President in regard to the condition of affairs in Mexico. He has laid before the government some important information in regard to Napoleon's operations in that distracted country, who it appears, has been engaged in this matter for upward of three years.

—Five thousand bales of cotton arrived at New York last week.

—The vote of the People's Northern Pacific Railroad Bill which passed the House on the 31st ult. was 74 yeas to 50 nays. We learn from private sources that the Bill was amended in the House so as to fix the line of the road above the parallel of 35. instead of 24 1/2 degrees, as reported. An amendment has been incorporated in the Bill in the Senate, giving ten sections per mile to the St. Paul and Pacific, and ten to the Winona and St. Peter Railroad.

LATEST NEWS.

LOUISVILLE, 10th.
The Special train with 20 armed men which left here at 8 o'clock last evening, reports they went within 13 miles of Frankfort and ascertained that the ordnance train beyond here turned back and went towards Frankfort, an escort of 40 soldiers on board fighting a following force of rebels at various points. The rebels had obstructed the railroad at several places between here and Bagdad, by felling trees, and completely destroyed the bridge in the rear of the advance train as it returned from Bagdad towards Frankfort, but telegraphic communication is not yet open to the city.

11 p. m.—Private advices from Bagdad report Frankfort as occupied by rebels this p. m., but it is discredited here as headquarters has received no intelligence on the subject.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., June 18.
Headquarters has received a dispatch that Governor Bramlette, has armed citizens of Frankfort, and that the fort is well garrisoned and that it will doubtless be able to hold out until Gen. Burbridge, who at last advices, was at Lexington, shall arrive there.

Despatches to Gen. Carrington, commanding the district of Indiana, now here, have been received dated Bagdad, 10:30 this morning, saying heavy cannonading was heard in the direction of Frankfort, at 7 o'clock this morning and still continues at intervals.

About 9 o'clock last evening a large fire was seen in that direction, reported to be from a burning bridge about three miles this side of Frankfort.

NEW YORK, June 11.
The Tribune's Headquarters' correspondence, of the 8th, says our left wing now extends across the railroad, on the eastern bank of the Chickahominy. The advance in that direction was made yesterday morning, by Griffin's and Cutler's Divisions of the 8th Corps, and Sumner's Brigade. After a short encounter, the 18th Massachusetts advanced to the river, driving the enemy's pickets, and occupying the bridge. Two North Carolina regiments were on the opposite side of the river, and a rebel brigade at Meadow Station. Our position is impregnable against any assault.

The Times special, from Staunton, June 5th says we met the enemy in force 15 miles north of here, and whipped him thoroughly. The rebels were commanded by Jones and Imboden. The former was killed. We pursued them to-day through here, with little resistance, though they were strongly fortified, and all the males were ordered out to defend the town. We captured 6 guns, hundreds of prisoners, and many hundred thousand dollars worth of stores. We do not hope for more important action until Crook's cavalry is with us.

Herald's special says the enemy is retreating towards Blue Ridge. Besides six guns, we captured other arms of heavy calibre. Over a million dollars of stores fell into our hands. Railroad property was destroyed largely. Some of our prisoners were boys.

Our loss was not large. Thuburn's brigade of infantry suffered the most. The enemy's retreat is a complete stampede.

FORTRESS MONROE, 10.
Yesterday morning, a force under Gen. Gilmore, made a demonstration on Petersburg, and succeeded in carrying the en-

emy's outer earthworks, with a loss of few men. While these were engaged, Butler sent a force which succeeded in destroying three or four miles of the Petersburg and Richmond Railroad without loss.

NEW YORK, June 11.
The Tribune's Hilton Head correspondent, June 7th, recounts various expeditions in that section.

On the 22d ult. Col. Von Gilsa, with a detachment from various regiments, among them the 56th Massachusetts, proceeded towards Secessionville. At Battery Island the rebels were charged upon and driven from their earthworks. The 55th nearly annihilated one rebel regiment. The reconnaissance being satisfactorily effected, our troops were withdrawn. Firing on Charleston and Fort Sumter was kept up at intervals. Beauregard had called for 5,000 men to reinforce him, but was told they could not be spared.

On the 24th an expedition arrived at Ashpoor river, under Gen. Birney. It met with nothing but misfortune from the start. The steamer Boston got aground and had to be abandoned, when the rebels riddled her.

ALBANY, June 11.
It is rumored in political circles here that the National Democratic Convention called to meet at Chicago, July 4th, will be postponed. It is understood the National Democratic Committee have the subject under consideration and will arrive at some definite conclusion before the 20th.

NEW YORK, 11, 1864.
The Herald's special says the 22d Penn. had a severe skirmish near Moorfield, West Va., on the 7th, and drove the enemy to the mountains. Our loss was 4 killed and 14 wounded.

NASHVILLE, June 11.
General Orders No. 14, from General Sherman, prohibits the disinterment of bodies of deceased officers and enlisted men south of this latitude, until 31st of October next.

CINCINNATI, 11.
After leaving Lexington and George town, Morgan's main force appears to have turned North and following the line of the Kentucky Central Railroad, attacked the 168 Ohio Regiment at Cynthia this morning, driving them north, burning the town and two trains which left Covington last night, and this morning, Morgan is apparently trying to make his way out of the State nearly in the direction he entered.

WASHINGTON, June 12.

To General Dix:
A dispatch from Hunter, dated 6 o'clock A. M., the morning of the 8th inst. at Staunton, reports that "we met the enemy at Piedmont, last Sunday, killing Gen. Jones, their commanding General, and totally routing them, after a battle of ten hours duration. We have captured 153 prisoners, 63 officers, 3,000 stand of arms and three pieces of artillery. We leave to-morrow."

Signed,
E. M. STANTON,
Secretary of War.

HEADQUARTERS ARMY POTOMAC June 10, 1864.—The enemy are busy throwing up fortifications in vicinity of Sumner's Bridge and Bottom's Bridge. The spires of Richmond are visible from these points, and wagon trains can be seen moving within three or four miles of the city, where the road for a short distance is visible.

Very little firing has taken place to-day. As change in our position has been made within the last 2 days.

Last evening as Col. McAllister of the 11th New York was riding along the line he was fired upon by a rebel sharpshooter, notwithstanding, there had been a tacit agreement that no picket firing should take place. The bullet passed across the Colonel's breast, and entered the heart of the Colonel's orderly who was riding with him. The entire command was at once put under arms expecting an attack, but nothing further transpired.

HOW DAVIS AND BRAGG WERE "SOLD."
—Rebel pickets say that during Sheridan's great raid Fitz Hugh Lee thought he had completely cut off his retreat and sent word for Jeff. Davis and Bragg to ride out and witness the sport of capturing the Yankee. Mr. Davis, accompanied by Gen. Bragg, did ride out. When he arrived, the 9th New York and 17th Pennsylvania, of Devin's brigade, Torbett's division, were driving the rebels from Bridge. They came to see how fast the Yankees could run, and behold, their old Virginians were too fleet-footed; for the Yankees pursued them hard, but could not overtake them.

\$75 AGENTS WANTED. \$150
TO SELL Sewing Machines. We will give a commission on all machines sold, or employ agents who will work for the above wages and all expenses paid. Address, D. B. HANCOCK & CO., Detroit, Michigan.

New Advertisements.

INTERNAL REVENUE NOTICE.

U. S. Assessor's Office,
First Collection District, Minn.,
ROCHESTER, June 16th, 1864.

Notice is hereby given that the lists of all taxes assessed under the Excise Tax Law of the United States within Division No. 8, comprising Steele County, will be open for the inspection of all parties concerned for the space of fifteen (15) days from this date, at the office of A. N. Stoughton, Assistant Assessor, in the village of Owatonna.

Further notice is hereby given that I will be at said office on the 30th day of June, A. D. 1864, for the purpose of hearing all appeals which shall be made as provided under Section 15 of the Excise Tax Law of the United States.

GEORGE W. BAKER,
Assessor First Dist. Minnesota.

THE OLD FLAG STILL WAVES.

THE GOOD OLD TIME HAS COME!

To all who buy their goods of

J. P. GURR,

At Rice Lake, where he keeps a large stock of

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Consisting in part of

SHAWLS,

PRINTS, best quality at 25 cts.

DE LAINES,

SUMMER CLOTHING,

FACTORY, Bleached and

Unbleached, from 30 to 55 cts., and other

things in proportion.

A good assortment of

HOOP SKIRTS, BOOTS & SHOES, READY-MADE CLOTHING, CROCKERY

GLASS WARE, SASH & WINDOW GLASS, TIN WARE.

ALL KINDS OF

FARMING UTENSILS, NAILS, YANKEE NOTIONS

Also a fine assortment of

GROCERIES!

Of all kinds, and almost everything for

FAMILY USE!

Which we are selling as cheap as any

Store in the West.

We sell for **READY PAY**, and give the

HIGHEST MARKET PRICE

for all kinds of Country Produce.

Rice Lake, June 16th, 1864.

22nd St.

exchange for goods.

Dry Goods, Groceries, Boots & Shoes, Hats & Caps, &c.

Is at the HOOSIER STORE, Owatonna, Minnesota.

HOPKINS & BUSEY have just received a very large stock of **NEW GOODS** of all descriptions and are now offering them at **REMARKABLY REDUCED PRICES.** Come everybody and examine Goods and Prices. We take all kinds of **PRODUCE** in exchange for goods.

J. W. Andrews' Column.

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New Spring Goods,

Arrived and constantly arriving, at

ANDREWS' ONE PRICE STORE!!

Rochester, Minn.

Don't forget to call at the

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ANDREWS' ONE PRICE CASH STORE!

Goods Marked in Figures!

And where one man's cash is considered as good as another's.

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Is receiving one of the

LARGEST & CHEAPEST

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A large assortment of

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from 15 cts. all the way up to 75 cts. per yard. A large stock of

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\$1.50 for a very nice, rich looking shawl, Broche Stella, Cassimere and Thibet Shawls—all good qualities and styles.

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Black, Brown, Plaid, &c., at prices ranging from 20 cts. to \$1.75 per yard. All Wool Delaines 50 cts per yard.

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SHEETING and 3/4 PILLOW CASE LINES

a great variety of **PLAID SCOTCH TARTANS,**

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ALSO,

SUMMER CASSIMERES,

at prices far less than can be bought at Merchant Tailors.

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Is the place to buy

Alexander's Real Kid Gloves.

An endless variety of Kidmade Gloves, Hosiery, Men's, Women's and Children's Neck Ties, Linen Handkerchiefs at 10 cts. each, Paper Collars in round boxes, ten in a box, and sold at a trifle above what the boxes themselves are worth.

AT ANDREWS' STORE

Is kept a large stock of

Hats & Caps

of any shape, style and material that is desirable for summer and fall wear. Also, Ladies' Hats. Among the latter may be found good Hats at 50 cts. each. A full assortment of Ribbon for trimming the same. Also, desirable Trimming Ribbons. Also Gaiter Bindings, assorted widths. Jet and other Buttons. Brads of all kinds.

CLOTHING.

Linen Coats from \$1.25 to \$3.00; good Union Coats from \$3.50 to \$5.00; and Fine Black all wool Coats from \$5.00 to \$20.00; a very poor pair of Pants for \$1.00, and very good ones for \$2.25.

Don't forget to ask for our **SKELETON COATS,** at \$9.00 each, nor our finest quality of light Harris Cassimere Pants and Vest for \$10.00 the suit.

Paper Hangings.

Borders, Window Curtains, a well selected and handsome stock; also, Drapery, Muslin, Damask, &c., &c., &c.

Crockery & Glassware.

Enquire for that splendid heavy ware, called our new "Whisk Pattern." We have a very full assortment of goods in this line.

GROCERIES,

A full and complete stock. Good Tea from \$1.50 to \$1.75, unequalled in quality and price.

AT ANDREWS' STORE

Is also to be found a large and desirable stock of

BOOTS & SHOES.

Women's Serge Gaiters from \$1.00 to \$1.75, Men's Serge Lace Boots \$2.50 and Serge Shoes for \$2.00, Oxf. and Ties from \$1.50 to \$2.50. Call and examine our stock before purchasing elsewhere.

ANDREWS

Has been in trade at Rochester now for one year and from the large trade he has received from Steele and adjoining counties, as well as in other directions, he flatters himself that his efforts to establish a prosperous and successful business, based upon fair and honorable dealing, asking only a fair price for ALL kinds of goods, repudiating the practice so prevalent among merchants, of selling some goods at less than cost and asking an exorbitant price for others, has not been in vain.

Thankful for the public patronage therefore, he hopes his friends will not forget in future that

ANDREWS

still holds forth in the

BRICK CORNER STORE.

Rochester, Minn., May 26th, 1864.

22nd St.

The Owatonna Plaindealer.

The Summer number of MRS. DEMONSTRATION'S Fashion Magazine has arrived, containing all the latest fashions of the season.

B. CHAMBERS is selling lots of goods at his store on Broadway. He keeps a good assortment of every thing in his line and selling very low.

The Social Tuesday evening, at Morford's Hall, was well attended, and the Ice Cream very interesting. The receipts of the evening were about \$3.

A move is about being made for building a bridge across Straight River at the foot of Broadway. About \$300 has already been offered for that purpose.

ARTHUR'S HOME JOURNAL is a high-toned literary magazine. The July number is particularly so. It is always received with pleasure by those who peruse its pages.

The Proprietor of the Owatonna Plaindealer purchased, this week, a lot fronting the Public Square, and will erect a building upon it immediately for his future office.

The members of Owatonna Council, No. 20, U. L. of A., are hereby requested to meet at Morford's Hall, on Friday evening, June 17th, at 8 o'clock for special business.

JOSEPH CHAMBERS & Co. purchased two acres of land lying on the corner of Cedar and Rice Streets, a few rods south of S. N. Sankers for \$600. This is one of the best investments of the season.

The Milwaukee Sentinel is one of the most reliable daily journals in the Northwest. It is ably edited, and reflects much credit upon the city from which it emanates. We consider it one of our best exchanges and could not well do without it.

Those who have dancing proclivities will meet at Demas's Hall, in Owatonna, on the evening of the Fourth of July, for the purpose of dedicating his new Hall. Supper will be furnished to the party by T. G. Paron, of the Europa House.

Everybody run here! at the New Boot and Shoe Store, of J. H. Goonrich's, next door to Hausman's Drug Store, where you will find the best stock of Boots and Shoes ever offered in Owatonna, which will be sold at prices to correspond with the times.

Mr. CLEMENTS, the Banker, in Faribault, has purchased a part of G. F. BATCHELDER'S large stock of goods and the business is now conducted under the name of BATCHELDER & CLEMENTS. This firm is determined not to be undersold by any firm in the west.

While at Rochester the other day we saw some of the most splendid Photographs ever looked at, at the Gallery of J. H. EASTON. His pictures for beauty of finish and correctness of likenesses are not to be excelled by any, in any of the Eastern cities. Persons visiting that city, should not fail to call at his Gallery, if only to look at his marvels of art.

By the new advertisement of J. P. GUNN it will be seen that he is at his old stand in Rice Lake, selling goods as cheap as ever. He is a reliable business man and every way worthy the patronage of the community. Call and examine his stock and prices and you can but be disappointed at the remarkable low prices at which he is selling mercantile goods.

WINTER & RUSSELL, of Faribault, are receiving fresh goods from the East almost every week, and are paying the highest price for country produce. They have been paying 15 cts per dozen for eggs, 20 cts per lb for butter, and every thing else in proportion the present season. They are determined that the farmer shall receive the highest market price for all they have to sell.

Last Thursday night some worthless fellows knocked at Mrs. FARNSWORTH'S door about 2 o'clock in the morning, and demanded admittance, and upon her refusal to admit them they began to kick at the door and burst it in of the hinges, and broke out one window sash. She became much alarmed and ran out of the back door over to M. QUIGLEY'S. The men came over immediately, but the rascals had left. Are not such transactions a disgrace to our town and should not the offenders be ferreted out, and severely punished for such conduct?

LET THE WORLD WAG ON! There are some things that do not change. Among them are the BAKERS. They sang in this village one evening last week, the same good old songs, as of yore. The shrill operatic screaming was entirely left out, and heart and soul entered into the music, awakening the chords of melody that struck responsive to the heart-beats of long ago. The rendering of "The Old Trundle Bed," by JOHN C. BAKER, was one of the most exquisite gems that was ever breathed forth in song. By the memory of the merest days of childhood, and of the angel mothers who taught us to say "Our Father," let us treasure their good old songs in our hearts. May the BAKERS visit us again.

IDAHO DEPOSITS!!
B. Chambers
WOULD inform the citizens of Owatonna and everybody else that he has removed his stock of Goods from Main St. to Broadway, in his store ONE DOOR WEST OF EUREKA HOUSE, where he has a large and extensive assortment of

Groceries
SUCH AS
Teas,
Sugars,
Syrups,
Coffees,
Spices,
&c., &c.
All kinds of
Dried Fruits

THE OLD FLAG

STILL FLOATS TO THE BREEZE!

THE UNION MUST AND SHALL BE PRESERVED!

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SPRING OF 1864!

While Generals Grant, Butler and others, with their brave and heroic soldiers are daily adding new laurels of victory for the preservation of our glorious Liberty and Union,

CROOKER BRO'S.

Be glad to announce to one and all that they are

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ONE DOOR EAST OF COUNTY OFFICES.

Where can be found the

Largest & Most Desirable

stock of goods ever offered in Steele County, consisting in part of

Domestic & Fancy Dry Goods,

HATS & CAPS,

Ladies' & Misses'

Hats, Shawls, Veils, &c., &c.,

Boots & Shoes,

LEATHER FINDINGS & GROCERIES.

of every variety and style, bought at prices much less than New York and Boston quotations, which we are able to offer on very reasonable terms. We do not deem it necessary to particularize, for if we did Kelly's paper is not large enough. We also call particular attention to our

Manufacturing Department,

where can be had, at the shortest possible notice every variety of

BOOTS & SHOES,

SEWED OR PEGGED,

made to order by the best workmen the trade affords

Come One, Come All. Give us a Call!

TERMS CASH OR READY PAY.

Owatonna, June 2nd, 1864. r2n6tf.

SAMUEL FRIEND,

DEALER IN

READY-MADE

CLOTHING

HATS & CAPS,

BOYS' CLOTHING,

AND

GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS,

AT THE

People's Store,

Bridge St., Owatonna, Minn.

The undersigned begs leave to inform the citizens of Owatonna and vicinity that he has rented the new building on Bridge St., called the

DRESSER BUILDING,

where he will keep constantly on hand a

Full & Fashionable Assortment

OF ALL KINDS OF

GENTS' READY-MADE CLOTHING,

&c., &c., &c.

Being connected with the large and extensive Wholesale Clothing House of

H. FRIEND & BRO.,

of Milwaukee, I flatter myself that I can suit you all in

QUALITIES & PRICES.

Remember the

PEOPLE'S STORE,

SAMUEL FRIEND.

Having taken charge of the PEOPLE'S STORE, I will endeavor to please my friends that will favor me with their patronage, and satisfy them in all respects. Try me and give me a call. Respectfully,
J. NEWSALT, People's Agent.
Owatonna, May 12th, 1864. r2n6tf.

J. H. WINTER. D. N. RUSSELL.

Winter & Russell,

AT THE

Metropolitan Store, on Third Street,

Have received direct from Boston.

THE FIRST ARRIVAL OF THE SEASON.

And hereafter will be constantly in receipt of new

SPRING GOODS.

DIRECT FROM EASTERN MARKETS.

THEY OFFER

RARE BARGAINS

IN

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STAPLE AND FANCY

consists in part of

Sheetings, Shirtings, Stripes, Checks, Denims, Tickings, Cottonades, Jeans, Linseys, Cassimeres, Doeskins, Broad Cloths, Cloakings, Sattinetts, Kerseys, Flannels, Cloths, Twines and Plantation Cloths.

PRINTS, ALPACAS, THIBBETS, PLAIDS, PARAMATTAS, WORSTEDS, GINGHAMS, DE LAINES, MERINOES, REPS, SILKS, GOODS, of all kinds!!

THE GEMS OF THE SEASON.

Hoop Skirts

AND

BALMORALS.

MOURNING GOODS!

Our stock of Mourning Goods is full and complete, of every desirable style, quality and price! CHAPES, GINGHAMS, DE LAINES, SILKS, WORSTEDS, &c., &c., &c.

LOOK OUT FOR COLD WEATHER!

CLOTHING!

If the next Draft don't exceed 600,000, we can clothe the whole army.

OVER COATS,

UNDER COATS,

of every quality and grade for winter.

PANTS AND VESTS

of latest fashions and every desirable material for winter wear.

BLACK DRESS SUITS!

As there has always been a want of care in the selection of good clothing by purchasers for this market, we would inform the public that we have taken pains to purchase the VERY BEST quality and workmanship.

Boots & Shoes

FOR ALL!!

From the smallest boy baby to the largest overgrown man!! Among which are

LADIES' BALMORAL BOOTS—Cloth, Kid and Morocco, plain and tipped, and all other kinds.

BABIES' CHILDREN'S AND MISSES' SLIPS, SHOES, BOOTS, GAITERS, BALMORALS & LACED BOOTS,

of superior quality and workmanship, and selected with special reference to the wants of this community

HATS & CAPS

FOR MEN AND BOYS.

Scott, McClellan, Burnside, Kosuth, Old Brains Kosceras, Grant and Tinnest Old Abe Hats and Caps, French and American Manufacture!

Gloves and Mittens

BUCK SKIN, BEAVER SKIN, SHEEP SKIN, SEAL SKIN, KID SKIN, COTTON and OTTER SKIN, WOOLEN—Lined and Unlined, large and small!

HOSIERY

For the Multitude!

Groceries

By the WHOLESALE, of every description.

HARDWARE!

A complete assortment. AXES, from the best manufacturers.

Crockery, Glassware and Kerosene Lamps!

A new and complete assortment. All the above with other articles too numerous to mention, will be sold

CHEAP FOR CASH. THE HIGHEST PRICE allowed for all kinds of Country Produce

Agents for the Grand de Tour

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PRICE LIST.

American Steel, - - - - \$14 25
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EVERY WEEK

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SELECTED BY

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AND ALWAYS OF THE

LATEST STYLES

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I HAVE BOUGHT

MR. AUSTIN'S

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Clocks &c.,

IN BATCHELDER'S BLOCK

AND SHALL

CLOSE THEM off CHEAP,

TO MAKE ROOM FOR THE

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NOW COMING IN

TO MEET THE WANTS OF OUR

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Boots & Shoes

AT

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Boots and Shoes for Ladies, Misses, Men, Boys, Children, Babies.

FROM THE FINEST GAITER

TO THE

HEAVIEST THICK BOOT.

CUSTOM MADE—WARRANTED.

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April 4th, 1864.

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AND

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Faribault, April 21st, 1864. 52 1y

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WE ARE NOW OPENING AND CONSTANTLY RECEIVING

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CONSISTING IN PART OF
Men's Custom Stags Boots,
" Eastern " "
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" Custom " "
" Calf " "
" Custom Brogans, "
" Eastern " "
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Women's Custom and Eastern Shoes,
Pranell and Morocco Hosiery Congress Gaiters,
Misses' & Children's Shoes, all kinds
De Coy Hosiery,
Men's Hats,
Boy's Hats and Caps,
Ready Made Clothing,
Crockery & Glassware, all kinds.

BROWN SHEETING, Bleached " "
Shirting, " "
Stripes and Tickings, " "
Denims, Blue and Brown, " "
Prints, Ginghams, " "
De Laines, Shollies, " "
Lawn and Plaids, " "
HOOP SKIRTS & BALMORALS, " "
Ladies' & Children's Trimmed Hats, " "
Shakers of all kinds, " "
Pot-smokes, Towels, &c., &c., " "
Kentucky Jeans, " "
Satinets, " "
Cassimeres, " "
Ladies' Cloaks, " "
Table Linen, " "
Oil Cloth, " "
Hosiery & Gloves, " "

WHICH WE ARE OFFERING TO EXCHANGE FOR CASH.

MORFORD & WILLSEY,

OWATONNA, MINNESOTA.

Owatonna, Minnesota, May 12th, 1864. r2n6tf.



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Of the MARVELS AND SPLENDORS OF ANIMATED NATURE, organized for the season of 1864, is the most extensive, complete and magnificent establishment of the kind ever. Language is inadequate to perfectly describe its merits.

Living Wonders

All parts of the World have contributed to this SUPERB COLLECTION! And its completeness leaves nothing to be desired by the most exacting critic. It is conceded that a more brilliant display of

WILD ANIMALS

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Is seldom, if ever, presented to the admirers of Natural History. The wealth and energy of the proprietor, combined with his unerring appreciation of public taste, have enabled him to offer to the public the most complete Menagerie in the world.

The following List, taken in Chicago, April 16th, 1864, embraces some of the ZOOLOGICAL AND ORNITHOLOGICAL SPECIMENS:

And is deemed to be the correct catalogue now on Exhibition:

Asiatic and African Elephants, Arabian Camels, Cape Good Hope Lion & Lions, Amazonian Black Tiger, Soudan Leopards, Royal Brazilian Tiger, Panther of Paraguay, Striped and Spotted Hyenas, California Grizzly Bears, Black Bear of Hudson Bay, Cinnamon Bear of Oregon, Ichneumon and Ant Eaters, Numidian Lion and Lions, Lioness and Whelp, Zebra of Zulu, Apes, Monkeys and Baboons, New Holland Kangaroos, Peruvian Lama, Alpaca of the Andes, Santa Fe Bison,

Others from the Sandwich Islands, Nebraska Buffalo, Siberian White Cows, Oret and Musk Cats, Foxglove, Hedgehog, Opossum, Asiatic Jackals, Syrian Goats, Madagascare Rabbits, African Pelicans, Spanish Macaws, Wheelbarrow Birds, Love Birds, African Crowned Cranes, Golden and Silver Pheasants, Chinese and English Pheasants, King Lori Birds, Albino Guinea Pigs, White & Gray Tropical Cockatoos, Paradise Birds, South American Parrots, Asiatic and African Parrots and Parakeets.

Also, a great variety of Australian Birds of gorgeous plumage. Attached to this Grand Exposition are

The only ARABIAN CAMELS in America! PROFESSOR SEARS, The famous "FOX KING," will enter the DEKS of PERFORMING Lions, Leopards, Tigers, Panthers, & Cougars!

The Educated ELEPHANT, 'Romeo,' Is a miracle of sagacity, and has been taught by Mr. STEWART CRAVEN to perform a variety of astonishing feats, such as Posturing, Balancing, Dancing, Crouching on Pedestals, and to a truly Bound on his Head!

THE LARGEST PROCESSION OF THE

Performing Kungaroo! Trained Ponies and Monkeys! and the Comical Mules!

Will collect the more gallant crews of the entertainment.

The entire of this establishment, on the morning of the Exhibition, will represent a Grand Moving Panorama, over a mile in length, which will pass through the principal streets, offering the public a gratifying view of the splendid Caravans, Horses, Trappings, Paraphernalia, &c. The BAND CHARIOT, drawn by

A TEAM OF ELEPHANTS AND CAMELS! will lead the Impending Procession, the whole forming a spectacle unsurpassed even by the grandeur and magnificence of Oriental Cavalcades.

For details, see Pictorial Bill, Illustrated Programmes, Descriptive, &c.

THIS IMMENSE COM'Y

WILL EXHIBIT IN OWATONNA, ON

Thursday, June 16th.

Doors open at 1 & 7 P. M. Price of Admission 50 cents, Children under 10 years 25 cents.

Will also Exhibit at Mantorville, Wednesday, June 15th. Faribault, Friday, June 17th.

Business Agent, F. L. COULDOCK.

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Great Rush to the Ready Pay Store of

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We are receiving one of the Largest Stocks of Cloth and Clothing ever brought to this market, comprising Overcoats, dress Coats, Pants, Vests, &c. Prints from 12 1/2 to 22 cts. per yard. Factory cloth from 20 to 35 cts. per yard. Also overalls and drawers. Buckskin gloves and mittens. Red woolen and cotton flannel.

We have a large stock of Broadcloths, Cassimeres, Dressings, Satinets, Cornuans and Jeans. Prints of the Best Brands for twenty cents per yard, we have also a large assortment of

Hats & Caps

of the Latest Styles, comprising Fur Wool and felt

Boots & Shoes

such as Ladies Gaiters, Buskins, Balmorals and other varieties of Ladies shoes, course and fine men's and boys' Boots & Shoes of the best quality and at the lowest rates.

Amputation of all kinds. Tobacco of the best quality. All Goods sold by us will be **FREE OF CHARGE**. Persons will thus save one shilling per yard, as we will sell cloth as cheap as the cheapest and throw the cutting in.

Custom Made Clothing made at short notice. Remember the sign **DRESSER BROTHERS** and fail not to call.

25¢ Cash paid for hides and furs and all kinds of grain received in pay for goods.

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A full assortment of all kinds of

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&c., &c., &c.

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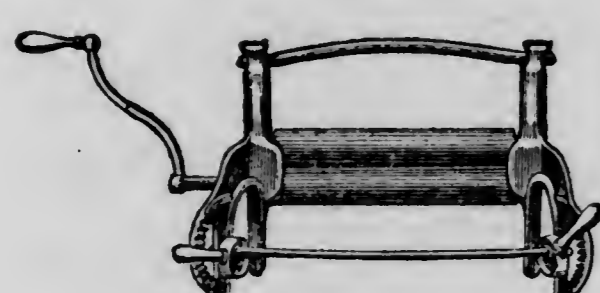
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One door east of Dr. Harsha's Drug Store, on

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Putnam Clothes-Wringer.



The ONLY reliable self-adjusting wringer. The frame being of iron, thoroughly galvanized, all danger from rust is removed, and the liability to shrink, swell, split, &c., so unavoidable in wooden machines, is prevented.

No third-wheel or complicated adjustments to wear out or get out of order; it can be fastened firmly to the tub in a single second.

WARRANTED WITH OR WITHOUT COG-
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It took the **FIRST PREMIUM** at fifty-seven State and County Fairs in 1883, and is, without exception, the best wringer ever made.

Instead of believing the statements of parties interested in the sale of other wringers.

TRY IT AND JUDGE FOR YOURSELF.

Test it THOROUGHLY with ANY and ALL cloths, and if not entirely satisfactory return it. It will wring anything from thread to a bed quilt without alteration.

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Putnam Manufacturing Co.

GENTLEMEN: I know from practical experience that iron well galvanized with zinc will not oxidize or rust one particle. I can safely say after several years' experience in the manufacture of chain for chain-pumps and water-lowers, in which I have tested the affinity of iron and zinc, that if the process be conducted properly, it is a perfect weld of the two.

Nearly one year ago my family commenced using one of your wringers. It now performs all its functions as well as it did the first time it was used and has become an indispensable article with us. I have already observed several other kinds of clothes wringers, the metal operating being different, trying to produce the same results as the Putnam Winger, but in my judgment they have failed. The Putnam Winger is as near perfect as possible, and I can cheerfully recommend it to be the best in use.

Respectfully yours,
J. W. WHEELER,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Many years' experience in the galvanizing business enable me to endorse the above statement in all particulars.

JOHN C. LEFFERTS,
No. 100 Hickman Street,
New York, January, 1884.

No. 2, \$5.50; No. 1, \$6.00; No. A, \$8.00.

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I will pay the highest price in CASH for

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500 BARRELS OF SALT

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Elevator, at Fairbault's Stone Water Mill.

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Owatonna, May 14th 1883.

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Hopkins & Busch, DEALERS in Dry Goods, Groceries, Crockery, Hats and Caps, Boots and Shoes, Hardware, Wooden Ware, &c., &c. Produce of all kinds taken in exchange.

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E. Y. Hancey will, DEALER in all kinds of Hardware, Window Glass, Sash, Tin Ware, Grindstones, &c. v1-n4

C. W. Hastings, GOOD Horses and Carriages constantly on hand to let on reasonable terms and ready pay. Livestock Stable west of Stage Barn. v2-13

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V. V. Middaugh & Brother, MANUFACTURERS in Harness, Saddles, Carriage Trappings and all other work in their line, for cash or ready pay. All work warranted and repairing done on the shortest notice. Shop on Bridge Street, 24 door west of printing office. Owatonna, Sept. 24, 1863. n19

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C. C. Hazard, PROPRIETOR of Rice Lake House, at Rice Lake. The traveling community will find us always ready to administer to their comfort. v2-13

D. P. Smith, PROPRIETOR of the National House, on Main Street, Faribault, Minnesota. v1n22

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L. H. Kelly, PROPRIETOR of the OWATONNA PLAIN-DEALER, is prepared to create all kinds of Job Work, such as Cards, Blanks, Handbills, Circulars, &c., in the neatest styles and on the shortest notice. Terms—Cash on delivery of all work.

C. S. Crandall, REGISTER of Deeds. Particular attention given to the payment of taxes for non-residents, Owatonna, Minnesota. v1n29

Dr. E. A. Briggs, SURGEON DENTIST. Permanently located at Faribault, would respectfully announce to the citizens of Owatonna that he will meet them once in each month in Owatonna, the present year. Plate work put up in the most approved styles and warranted. Vulsanium in brass, gold, and Silver or platinum. v1a3

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Hallo! Mr.,

Have you heard the News!

Pepper & Clements have dissolved

And Wm. Pepper is at his old stand in the

MEAT MARKET BUSINESS

Where he will keep constantly on hand the best quality of Beef and all other kinds of meat. We buy only such

Beef Cattle

for our market as are of the best quality and can but give entire satisfaction to our customers. We are renovating our Market and are determined not to be surpassed by any other shop of this kind in the country. We have all kinds of

Vegetables

constantly on hand for the comfort and convenience of our patrons, as well as

CHEESE, BUTTER, LARD, &c.

All persons buying of us can have their packages delivered anywhere in town free of charge. We are keeping large quantities of everything in our line on hand and can supply in or out of the county on the shortest notice.

Our Market will be conducted agreeable to the most improved style. All kinds of

WORKING CATTLE, MILCH COWS, &c.

bought and sold at this market, and the highest cash price paid for Hides.

Owatonna, Oct. 22d, 1863. WM. PEPPER. 29f

MILINERY AND FANCY GOODS.

Mrs. Magoon

Takes pleasure in saying to the ladies of Owatonna and vicinity that she has received her Spring and Summer Stock of

Millinery and Dress Goods.

Consisting in part of

BONNETS,

FEATHERS,

FLOWERS,

RIBBONS,

HATS, latest styles,

BALMORALS,

CLOAKS and

CLOAKINGS.

Also, a great variety of

HOOPS, and new style CORSETS,

together with many other articles too numerous to mention.

Tendering her grateful thanks for past patronage she invites all to call and examine her new stock, at the old stand, Hatchelder's Block, Main Street, Faribault, Minn., May 10th, 1864. 25-4f.

IDAHO DEPOSITS!!

B. Chambers

WOULD inform the citizens of Owatonna and everybody else that he has received his stock of Goods from Main St. to Broadway, in his store

ONE DOOR WEST OF EUREKA HOUSE,

where he has a large and extensive assortment of

Groceries

SUCH AS

Teas,

Sugars,

Syrups,

Coffees,

Spices,

&c., &c.

All kinds of

Dried Fruits

and everything else calculated to suit the most delicate appetite.

He also wishes to inform the public that he has a large assortment of

BOOTS & SHOES,

of all sizes and descriptions, of the best quality.

His goods are new and fresh, bought for cash down, and will not be undersold.

Also Gold Dust, Greenbacks, and all kinds of

COUNTRY PRODUCE

taken in exchange.

Owatonna, April 28th, 1864. v2n11f.

J. B. CORY, American Hotel, Owatonna, Minn. The Proprietor has fitted up the old stand of the American Hotel, and has all the conveniences for the traveling community, both for man and beast. v2n6f.

HEAR YE! HEAR YE!!

Fail not to come to the

ROCHESTER

DRUG AND BOOK STORE!

Sign of the Golden Mortar, on Broadway, in the

City Post Block.

J. S. WOODARD would inform the inhabitants of Steele and adjoining counties, that he has recently opened a large Drug and Book Store in the city of Rochester, on Broadway, in the New Brick Block known as the City Post Block, where he keeps a large stock of pure

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in the country with pure medicines and at low prices. Also

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DRUGS, MEDICINES, PURE CHEMICALS,

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All kinds of School and Miscellaneous books at Manufacturers' prices. Writing Paper by the ream or quire.

WRITING FLUIDS, INK, PENS,

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AND MORTGAGES.

Any person wishing to buy goods at a low price than any store of the kind in the State can do so by calling at my store.

Rochester, Nov. 26th, 1863. 31-4f

TREMENDOUS EXCITEMENT!

Great Rush to the Ready Pay Store of

Dresser Bro's.

We are receiving one of the Largest Stocks of Cloths and Clothing ever brought to this market, comprising Over-Coats, Dress Coats, Pants, Vests, &c.—Prints from 12½ to 22 cts. per yard. Factory cloth from 20 to 35 cts. per yard. Also over-shirts and drawers. Buckskin gloves and mittens. Red woolen and cotton Flannels.

We have a large stock of BROOKLYN, CASSIDERS, DRESSING, SATINETT, CORDUROY and JEANS. A variety of the best Brands for twenty cents per yard, we have also a large assortment of

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of the Latest Styles, comprising Felt Wool and Felt

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Owatonna, April 28th, 1864. 1-2m.

THE WRONG RIGHTED.

BY CLARA AUGUSTA.

"Margaret Vance! you are surely not in earnest?"

"But indeed I am, Mary. How could I act otherwise?"

"Well, I have always thought you eccentric, but this caps the climax!"

Mary Warner let fall the snowy bridal tissue upon which she was fastening sprays of orange flowers, and sank into a chair.

Margaret Vance, cool and self-possessed, though very pale, finished the letter she was writing, sealed, and superscribed it, and rung for a servant.

"Take this to Mr. Rossiter," she said, "and do not wait for an answer. None is requested."

The man went out; Margaret began putting away the various articles of her bridal toilette that littered the pretty morning room.

"And so you have dismissed him?" asked Mary.

"I have."

"And what will the people say? at this eleventh hour, too? The wedding garments all ready, and the invitations out? Dear! dear! I should die of mortification!"

"And I shall not. God forbid that the fear of what people will say, should deter me one moment from doing my duty!"

"Yes, but Mr. Rossiter has done no more than the majority of young men!"

"That is true, Mary. To our shame be it said! No, he has done no more than many another fashionable young man, whom fond mothers countenance and fair, pure, young girls smile upon!"

He has only broken a heart and ruined a life! Such little slips are too trifling to be noticed, or spoken of in connection with the name of a wealthy young man!"

"There, Margaret, now you are getting sarcastic, and I am afraid of you in that mood! But I'm sure I don't see how you could bear to cast off one whom you loved so well—one who loved you—and such a good match too!"

"Yes I did love him," Margaret's stern face softened there was a suspicious moisture in her dark eyes. "I did love him, because I thought him good and noble. But thank Heaven! I saw him as he was before it was too late! And when I ceased to respect him, I ceased also to love him."

"Oh dear, well, if all girls were as extra nice as you, the world would be swarming with old maids!"

"And it would be better, Mary! Better to lead a single life—lonely and imperfect though it be, than to trust your immortal destiny in the keeping of a man whom, in your inmost soul, you could not respect! Edward Rossiter won the affections of Agnes Weld by a promise of marriage; he brought to bear upon her all the specious sophistries which men have ever ready to beguile the unwary; and then, when she had given up everything for him, he left her!—left her to be shunned by her own sex—to be a byword with the other; while he, the real culprit, mixed with society, and drank in the smiles of virtuous women who should have scorned him! It was Providence, alone, Providence, alone, that guided me to seek Agnes Weld—to win her confidence, and hear her pitiful story! I shudder to think what might have been, had I not met her before it was too late! For I tell you, Mary Warner, though I had stood at the very altar, with the priest before me, and had learned there the story of that man's treachery, I would have repudiated the vows I had spoken, and cast him away from me forever."

Her cheeks glowed—her eyes sparkled; in all her life Margaret Vance had never looked so beautiful. Miss Warner looked at her in wondering silence. It was entirely beyond the comprehension of the shallow-hearted belle.

Why Edward Rossiter, handsome, wealthy, talented, the "best match" in the city, should be refused, because at sometime in his life, he had had a little affaire du cœur with a poor country schoolmistress, was more than she could understand. The girl might have known he did not intend to marry her—and it was very silly in her to pine over it, and make herself consumptive; but it was still more absurd for Margaret to break with Mr. Rossiter, more particularly now,

that the wedding day was set, and every preparation for the ceremony finished.

And Miss Warner went away from her friend, to spread the strange intelligence, and assist the fashionable world in ridiculing the scruples of the puritanic Miss Vance. Of course, she was ridiculed.

All individuals are who dare to take a bold stand for the truth. The supporters of virtue have no light cross to bear, and not path of roses to tread.

Mr. Rossiter was piqued and angry. Margaret had met his requirements more fully than any other woman. She was beautiful, elegant, refined, a brilliant conversationalist, and would have seen a superb ornament to his patrisian home. She had also, a fortune in her own right, and though Mr. Rossiter was rich in this world's goods, the wealth of his prospective wife was by no means an objection.

He read her brief, concise note through and flung it into the grate. He knew something of the nature with which he had to deal. He knew that her mind, once fixed, was as immovable as the granite hills. But he still trusted much to her love for him. He sat down, and wrote her a letter—eloquent, penitent, pleading; it was returned to him unopened.

Three days later he managed, with some difficulty, to obtain an interview. It was long, and to him unsatisfactory. She could not retract. She would not become his for the wealth of the Indies. She was effectual, she said, by giving Agnes Weld the benefit of his name, and the shelter of his home. True, it would be making a late reparation, but it would be better than utter neglect, and the poor girl was sick, and sorrowful, and very poor—and

He left her no time to finish her plea of mercy. Angered beyond control, he caught his hat and left her, and three months elapsed before she saw him again.

Then he came to her under far different circumstances.

The guardian, in whose care her property had been placed by her deceased father, became involved in rash speculations, and the fortune of his ward was swept away when the grand crash came, for come it did—and Margaret Vance was penniless!

But she had a brave heart, and a faith that was not lightly shaken. She found employment in a dry goods store, at a salary sufficient for her moderate wants, and in the dreariest hours of her toiling, she cast never a regret backward at the life she had put away from her with Edward Rossiter.

At this time, he came to her again. He was ready to forgive and forget everything, if she would only take him back to her favor. He loved her—she might make what she chose of him; her love might be his salvation. And she listened coldly, and sent him away.

Two years fled by. Margaret Vance was still in her place at the store of Bowe & Eastlake, and whatever she could spare from her own passing necessities, was given to Agnes Weld. The two girls dwelt together now in a little home of their own, and beneath the magical influence of love and sympathy, Agnes had recovered something of her lost strength and beauty.

Margaret's old friends passed her coldly by, she had stepped out from their set by harboring a sorrowing Magdalen; and they spoke of her in ominous whispers, and wondered if she was as good as she ought to be.

At the store, she met with many things well calculated to wound her sensitive feelings. Those with whom she had once been intimate, failed to recognize her, and even Mary Warner, her most devoted friend when she was rich and popular, now gave her only a supercilious stare, when she came in to select a costly collar, or a set of Honiton.

But Margaret, secure in the consciousness of having done her duty, went calmly on her way, thanking God that the burden was no more than her strength could bear.

One day, a note was handed her by Mr. Eastlake her junior employer.

"You had better read it at once," he said, as she was about to put it in her pocket to attend to a customer. "It came by a private messenger who seemed in haste."

She tore it open and at a glance made herself acquainted with the contents—

"MARGARET.—Come to meet me once, and bring Agnes Weld with you. A half hour's delay may be fatal. I depend on you."

"ROSSITER."

The name of a well known hotel in a neighboring village was appended. Margaret made a brief explanation to Mr. Eastlake, obtained leave of absence, took Agnes and set off at once.

She was gone too soon. There had been a fearful railroad accident, and Edward Rossiter was among those fatally injured.

Margaret went up to his chamber, led Agnes in, and left them together. Fifteen minutes later they sent for her. Mr. Rossiter, pale and ghastly, was sitting up, supported by pillows, holding the hand of Agnes in his own. Both had been weeping, but there was a new peace on both pallid countenances.

"Margaret," said Mr. Rossiter, "in my life I have sinned deeply, but I never realized it until you showed me my error. Then, I was angry—now I thank you for it. You first turned my thoughts into the right channel, and the near approach of death has done the rest. I wish to make all the atonements that I can. Agnes has forgiven me, and has consented to bear my name when I am gone. I am going to make her my wife."

Margaret pressed the hand he extended to her warmly.

"God be thanked!"

It was a solemn bridal—there in the shadow of death, and when the vows were spoken that made them one, Agnes leaned down to the white face of her husband, and caught his last words—

"All is peace."

The everlasting peace had come even while he spoke—said Edward Rossiter was with his God.

The Owatonna Plaindealer.

OFFICIAL PAPER OF THE COUNTY.
THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 1864.

UNION PRESIDENTIAL TICKET. 1864.

FOR PRESIDENT:
ABRAHAM LINCOLN,
OF ILLINOIS.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT:
Andrew Johnson,
OF TENNESSEE.

THE PLATFORM.

Resolved. That it is the highest duty of every American citizen to maintain against all enemies the integrity of the Union, and the authority of the Constitution and laws of the United States, and that by every possible means, to the complete suppression of the rebellion, by force of arms, the Government in quelling, by force of arms, the rebellion, and in bringing to the punishment of its traitors, the rebels and traitors arranged against it.

Resolved. That we approve the determination of the Government and the United States not to compromise with rebels, or to offer any terms of peace except such as may be based upon an unconditional surrender of their hostility, and a return to their just allegiance to the Constitution and laws of the United States; and that we call upon the Government to maintain this position and to prosecute the war with the utmost possible vigor, to the complete suppression of the rebellion, in full reliance upon the self-sacrifice, the heroic valor, and the unyielding devotion of the American people to their country and all its free institutions.

Resolved. That as slavery was the cause, and now constitutes the strength of the rebellion, and as it must be always and everywhere hostile to the principles of republican government, justice and national safety demand that we should continue our liberation from this evil, and that we uphold and maintain the acts and proclamation by which the Government, in its own defense, has aimed a death blow at this gigantic evil; and we are in favor, furthermore, of such an amendment to the constitution, to be made by the people in conformity with its provisions, as shall terminate and forever prohibit the existence of slavery within the limits of the jurisdiction of the United States.

Resolved. That the thanks of the American people are due to the soldiers and sailors of the army and navy, who have perilled their lives in defense of their country and in vindication of the honor of their flag. That the nation owes to them some permanent recognition of their patriotism and valor, and ample and permanent provision for those of their survivors who have received disabling and honorable wounds in the service of their country, and that the memories of those who have fallen in its defense shall be held in great and everlasting remembrance.

Resolved. That we approve and applaud the practical wisdom, the unselfish patriotism, and the unswerving fidelity to the Constitution, and the principles of American liberty with which Abraham Lincoln has discharged, under circumstances of unparalleled difficulty, the great duties and responsibilities of the Presidential office. That we approve and endorse, as demanded by the emergency, and essential to the preservation of the nation, and as within the Constitution, the measures and acts which he has adopted to defend the nation against its open and secret foes, that we approve especially of the Proclamation of Emancipation, and the employment as Union soldiers of men heretofore held in slavery, and that we have full confidence in his determination to carry these and all other constitutional measures essential to the salvation of the country to their full and complete effect.

Resolved. That we deem it essential to the general welfare that harmony should prevail in the nation, and that we regard as worthy of public confidence those and only those who cordially endorse the principles proclaimed in the resolutions, and which should characterize the administration of the Government.

Resolved. That the government owes to all men equal yet in its armistice, without regard to distinction of color, the full protection of the laws of war, and that any violation of these laws or of the rights of citizens in the time of war, by the rebels now in arms, should be made the subject of full and prompt redress.

Resolved. That the foreign emigration, which, in the past, has added so much to the wealth and development of resources and increase of power to the nation, the asylum of the oppressed of all nations, should be fostered and encouraged by a liberal and just policy.

Resolved. That we are in favor of the speedy construction of a national railroad, and that the national faith pledged for the redemption of the public debt must be kept inviolate, and that for this purpose we recommend economy and rigid responsibility in the public expenditures, and a vigorous and just system of taxation. That it is the duty of every loyal State to sustain the credit and promote the use of national currency.

OUR COUNTRY'S FUTURE.

The Rev. Dr. ARMS, from the State of New York, arrived in town a few days since, and is the guest of Gen. A. CHAMBERS. He gave us, last Sabbath afternoon, an interesting discourse on the perpetuity of our national life, at the School House. The ground he took was that our nationality is not to be destroyed by this civil war—that we are to out-ride the storm—and after passing through this fiery trial we shall come forth with a strong, common constitutional life, not discordant congeries of States, but a composite nation.

He noticed the origin of this country, the marvelous providences of God that have attended us all along our national existence, as evidence that the God of heaven will not abandon us in our present struggle for the preservation of our common country. He also showed that there is scarcely a solitary people on earth which does not find its representative incorporated in our social system, all of whom speak of America as the refuge of their brethren; and hence that our nationality is the last hope for the world's down-trodden and oppressed millions. He showed that from our central position on the earth and the condition of all other nations, we are to be the world's political and evangelical redemption. He then referred to the fact that providence had marked out this country as the heritage of our nation, and that the American is as distinct a race as the French, the Russian, or the Turk, and that ours is as manifestly as theirs, an organic, national life, absorbing and assimilating all emigrant varieties.

No then noticed the trials we are now enduring as a nation, and showed that human progress is ever like that of a ship beating to windward, in the very eye of the tempest, that our colonial life was a continual conflict, and that throughout all our history we have grown strong in the midst of antagonisms, and that, if true to ourselves, we shall drive out this demon of secession, and wipe from our escutcheon the foul blot of slavery, bequeathing to the future more than we inherited from the past, a government, not only the freest and fairest, but as well the most immutable and mighty of the governments of the world.

The Doctor is sound to the core on the state of the country, and we hope we may hear him further on the subject while he remains with us.

[Written for the Owatonna Plaindealer.]

THE OLD FLAG.

Time honored ensign of the Union—the Union of States and the Union of Liberty, loving hands and hearts! Traitors have dared to dim with infamy thy bright stars, and cloud with the stains of treachery thy holy stripes! How the heart of every true American swells with just resentment, to see insulted the old flag that waved triumphantly above the head of Washington on the blood-stained fields of the Revolution, and drooped mournfully above his revered form when Death, the final conqueror, had called him from the great battle-field of life—the old flag that has been the Nation's pride since the liberty-inspired veterans, the fathers of our America, stood beneath its sacred folds and declared themselves free men. Everywhere upon the anniversary of that great day its "broad stripes and bright stars" have gladdened the heart of millions. It has waved aloft from the dome of the Capitol, over the magnificent cities of the East, North and South, and amid the gigantic forests of our own free West, and the rich and poor, the haughty and humble, the millionaire and pauper, have gazed upon it with the same feeling of free-born pride.

But dear old flag, though thy burial has been celebrated by traitors, thou shalt be resurrected! The heart of a true man will never brook an insult to the flag of his country. We have put on the armor of war; we have sent forth the truest sons of our free soil, our heart's best treasures, to fight in thy defense; and arms, strong from being nurtured in the lap of freedom, from a just pride in the name of freemen, from a sense of the justice of their cause and a faith in God and victory, must conquer.

From every camp, the ear catches the proud notes of the "Star Spangled Banner," a thousand voices mingling in the sacred song of the Union. But now and then, amid the tumult of voices, sadly, like the soft chiming of vesper bells, mingle the notes of "Sweet Home," showing where points the magnet of the soldier's heart, even amid the clangor of war. Ah! many a "home" is darkened now, many an anxious eye looks lovingly toward a vacant chair. Many a song is hushed upon the lip of beauty, for, as it gushes from the heart, all melody and gladness, a thought of the absent looks its utterance, till it may greet the return of the loved, or, if he falls in defense of the flag, it shall be sung never save in memory, until the soul melody is syllabled before the white throne of the Eternal.

"He has gone to fight for his country, to sustain the true old flag of the Union." There was something grandly beautiful, as well as strangely sorrowful in those words, as they fell upon my ear from the lips of a mother. She was speaking of the only son God had given her, and tears welled up from the fountains of her heart. I knew, for they were long in coming, and rolling down her time-worn cheek, told a tale of deep mother love, which words could not have expressed. Could the soldier youth have seen his mother at that moment with her tearful face, full of anxious, tender care for him, doubly dear the memory of that mother would have been. It must have been a mighty love of country that could prompt her willingly to say farewell to the support of her old age.

"Gone to fight for his country,"—a father spoke proudly and firmly of his youngest born. "Gone to stay the hands of traitors that dare to pollute these glorious old stripes and stars—God protect thy boy!" Looking back upon the days of his youth, he remembered how he had seen that banner of liberty waving in triumph over the heads of conquerors when England bowed submissively to its sustainer, and he was proud to have a son to give in upholding it now.

How like the mighty avalanche of the Alps came the thundering tumult of

the war, the cannons tone of death, the glitter of bayonets and the clash of arms!

"Ah, then and there were hurrying to and fro, And gazing tears, and tremblings of distress, And cheeks all pale, which but an hour ago, Blushed at the praise of their own lovings; And there were sudden partings; such as press The life from out young hearts, and choking sighs Which ne'er might be repeated."

Surely it is something to awaken the saddest emotions of the heart—the contemplation of this dark day, which hangs like a pall over the young republic, and many a prayer is borne upward on the wing of faith to the Giver of good, that the struggle may be short and decisive, and that the GLORIOUS OLD FLAG may return once more from the field of battle LAUREL-CROWNED AND VICTORIOUS.

The Idaho Mania—Stand under.

[From the Yreka Journal]

The greatest crash ever heard of on this coast will occur at Boise this summer. The country is completely overrun with emigrants bound northward. The road via the Klamath lakes, from Yreka, is lined with people; so, also in greater proportion, is the road via Red Bluff, Humboldt, Salt Lake, and the Missouri river. What all these people will do there to live, the Lord only knows, and that they hope to be able to nominate him, we have very good reason to believe. The peace Democrats—those who are really opposed to prosecuting the war, and in favor of acknowledging the independence of the Southern Confederacy, could with difficulty be brought to the support of Fremont. But equally difficult would it be to reconcile them to a war platform; or to any candidate pledged to the suppression of the rebellion. At the same time there would be no hope for the election of a Peace Democrat upon a peace platform; and with the prospect of success at the polls, and the possession of the spoils, they may consent to the nomination of Fremont, rather than run a professedly Peace Democrat who would certainly be defeated.

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Cleveland versus Baltimore.

The witty Washington correspondent of the Cincinnati Commercial thus alludes to the Fremonters in attendance on the Baltimore Convention:

"Among the lookers on in the State of Venice are quite a number of gentlemen recently arrived from a social gathering at Cleveland, at which it is said that a gentleman named Fremont was spoken of. I am sorry to witness a disposition on the part of some intelligent persons, to almost deny the right of the friends of Mr. Fremont to assemble together, at Cleveland or elsewhere, and have their little fraternalization. There is certainly nothing unconstitutional in such little tea parties, and they are often productive of a great deal of charity and good feeling. If Mr. Fremont's friends (if my memory serves me aright, the name is Fremont), want to have a tea party, or a dinner party, in Cleveland or elsewhere, I say in the name of the liberty guaranteed to us by our forefathers, let them have it. In the language of Mr. Lincoln: 'Is there anybody here' by them?"

But there is an amusing side to the Fremont movement, and one is very apt to smile to hear the participants in the late tea party to talk of the Baltimore Convention as an outside and unauthorized concern, now that the people's meeting took place at Cleveland. When I hear a man talk in this way I am reminded of a little story that Mr. Lincoln will no doubt tell as soon as he learns it: A gentleman had been suing at law for a long time, and finally the case was decided against him, very much to his disappointment. He met a friend one day who expressed much surprise on hearing of his misfortune, and remarked, "Why I thought the jury was all in your favor." The disappointed litigant drew a long breath uttered a deep groan, and reported:

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Fremont's Letter.

The letter of Gen. Fremont, accepting the nomination of the Cleveland Convention, is printed in full in another place. It will be observed that he does not except, as a whole, the platform adopted by the Convention that nominated him; but makes in part a platform of his own, which corresponds so nearly with that laid down by Hon. James Brooks, of New York sometime ago, in the House of Representatives, that the similarity of views, naturally leads to the conclusions that he may be a formidable candidate before the Chicago Convention. That it is the intention of leading Democrats to use his name, and that they hope to be able to nominate him, we have very good reason to believe. The peace Democrats—those who are really opposed to prosecuting the war, and in favor of acknowledging the independence of the Southern Confederacy, could with difficulty be brought to the support of Fremont. But equally difficult would it be to reconcile them to a war platform; or to any candidate pledged to the suppression of the rebellion. At the same time there would be no hope for the election of a Peace Democrat upon a peace platform; and with the prospect of success at the polls, and the possession of the spoils, they may consent to the nomination of Fremont, rather than run a professedly Peace Democrat who would certainly be defeated.

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Davisnegation.

Instances are common of the most fictitious separation of family relations by this unnatural war. Brothers, and even parents and children are found in the ranks of the hostile armies. One the most touching cases of this kind is that of a son of the Confederate President Jeff. Davis, who is serving in the National cause on the gunboat Carondelet, fighting to crush the rebellion which his father was leader of. The Davis junior is the son of Eliza, late a slave to the patriarchal Davis. An officer of the army at Vicksburg who has heard of the fact, verified it from Eliza's lips. How sharper than serpent's tooth must be the grief of that parent whom unrelenting fate compels to take sides against his own son in a war for freedom.—*Cincinnati Gazette.*

300,000 More.

The Adjutant General of the District of Missouri announces, in an official order, that "it has been officially intimated by the highest authority, that 300,000 more troops, to serve for three years or during the war, will be required by the General Government, to be furnished from the loyal States during this and the coming month, and if the number is not procured by volunteering, a draft will be made for the deficiency."

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The Attack on Petersburg.

BALTIMORE, June 20. In all, 21 pieces of artillery have been captured from the enemy in our assault on the works at Petersburg, besides a large number of prisoners.

When the enemy withdrew his forces in front of General Butler to reinforce Petersburg, General Butler immediately sent out a force under Generals Terry and Turner, which succeeded in destroying an important bridge and four miles of railroad track near Waltham Junction.

Early's, late Longstreet's corps crossed the James river near Drury's Bluff in strong force and was seen coming down the Petersburg turnpike as Gen. Butler's force entered their works last evening.

The d'spatch steamer Anna Winans while passing Wilcox's wharf was fired into from the north side of the James river by a rebel battery. Ten shots were fired at her, one of which passed through her hull near the water's edge.

The James river is blockaded a mile below Drury's Bluff to prevent a surprise from the rebel rams.

The Times' special from headquarters, dated the 15th, says Birney's division of the 2d corps occupied the line within 2,500 yards of the city, and threw a few shells into Petersburg.

MORGAN'S FORCE.—One of Morgan's men captured since the late raid in Kentucky was commenced, gives the following particulars of the force:

"He states they came through Pound Gap a week ago last Sunday, passing a Union force of 500, which was marching on another toward the Salt Works at Abington. The rebel force is commanded by John Morgan, and is composed of Kentucky troops. The only full regiment is the 4th Kentucky cavalry, 1,000 strong. There are three battalions of the 10th Ky. cavalry, and three other battalions, largest of which is the 6th Confederate Battalion, 80 strong. Col. McAfee, of Harrodsburg, is with Morgan. Lieut. Col. Smith, of Chicago, Ill., and other well-known rebel leaders. The total force does not exceed two thousand, although Devlin's rough guess at first was three thousand. A large portion of these are dismounted cavalry, who suffered severely in their march into the State and have been kept in the rear until the cavalry could send back horses to mount them. They are mostly armed with the Confederate Enfield rifle, a short barreled rifle, made at Richmond. They have no sabers and no pistols except as private property."

—The Charleston Courier complains bitterly at the failure of manufacturing enterprises at the South. Glassware and pottery of Confederate origin are things unknown. No rebel maker of matches has succeeded, there is no manufactory for the supply of agricultural implements, and experiments in oil making have proved failures.

—Western Kentucky is flooded with counterfeit greenbacks. Two men were arrested at Paducah a few days since, with a large amount of counterfeit \$100 notes in their possession.

New Advertisements.

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Have you heard the News!

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Where he will keep constantly on hand the best quality of Beef and all other kinds of meat. We buy only such

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Vegetables

constantly on hand for the comfort and convenience of our patrons, as well as

CHEESE, BUTTER, LARD, &c.

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Consisting in part of

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HATS, latest styles,

BALMORALS,

CLOAKS and

CLOAKINGS.

Also, a great variety of

HOOPS, and new style CORSETS,

together with many other articles too numerous to mention.

Tendering her grateful thanks for past patronage she invites all to call and examine her new stock, at the old stand, Hatchelder's Block, Main-st. Fairbault, Minn., May 19th, 1864. 25-1f.

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B. Chambers

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everybody else that he has moved his stock

of Goods from Main-St. to Broadway, in his store

ONE DOOR WEST OF EUREKA HOUSE,

where he has a large and extensive assortment of

GROCERIES

SUCH AS

Teas,

Sugars,

Syrups,

Coffees,

Spices,

&c., &c.

All kinds of

Dried Fruits

and everything else calculated to suit the most delicate appetite.

He also wishes to inform the public that he has a large assortment of

BOOTS & SHOES,

of all sizes and descriptions, of the best quality.

His goods are new and fresh, bought for cash down, and will not be undersold. Idaho Gold Dust, Greenbacks, and all kinds of

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Fail not to come to the

ROCHESTER

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Sign of the Golden Mortar, on Broadway, in the

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Drugs and Medicines,

direct from the Eastern Market, which will be sold at the very lowest figures, and warranted of the first quality. Having had many years experience in the business, he is prepared to furnish.

PRACTICING PHYSICIANS

in the country with pure medicines and at low prices. Also

Physicians Prescriptions

put up with dispatch and accuracy. My goods consist of every variety and kind of

DRUGS, MEDICINES, PURE CHEMICALS,

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PURE WINES & BRANDIES

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All kinds of School and Miscellaneous books at Manufacturers' prices. Writing Paper by the ream or quire.

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PAPER, BLANK DEEDS

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Great Rush to the Ready Pay Store of

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We are receiving one of the Largest Stocks of Cloths

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Overcoats, dress Coats, Pants, Vests, &c., &c. Prints from 12 1/2 to 22 cts. per yard. Factory cloth from 20 to 35 cts. per yard. Also overalls and drawers. Buckskin gloves and mittens. Red woolen and cotton Flannel.

We have a large stock of BROADCLOTHS, CASSIMERES, DOESKINS, SATINETTES, COTTONS and JEANS. The price of the best brands for twenty cents per yard, we have also a large assortment of

Hats & Caps

of the Latest Styles, comprising Fur Wool and Felt

Boots & Shoes

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SPICES,

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Highest price paid in cash for

HIDES & FURS

of all kinds at

WILLIAMS & BIFIELD'S.

COVE OYSTERS,

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WILLIAMS & BIFIELD'S.

One door east of Dr. Harsha's Drug Store, on

Bridge-street. Owatonna, Oct. 29th, 1863. 27-1f.

MILLINERY AND STRAW DRESSING!

Miss Hunter,

while gratefully acknowledging the kindness of those friends who have assisted her in her endeavor to establish a

PERMANENT BUSINESS

in this place, would add that she is now prepared to execute order in any of the branches of her business.

BONNET and HAT TRIMMINGS

kept constantly on hand. Rooms up stairs in Wm. Davidson's dwelling, north of the Presbyterian church Owatonna, April 28th, 1864. 1-3m.

HOW IT HAPPENED.

Long ago I had decided just how and when I should fall in love; and had plainly seen, in my mind's eye, the lady who alone could fill my heart. She should be tall, brilliant, and stately, with glorious black eyes and hair. Her mind should be stored with knowledge, and her heart should be filled with—well, with me, of course. As to time, I had resolved not to even look for my paragon until I was twenty-seven.

On my twenty-second birthday I left the parental roof and proceeded to New York to earn a fortune for the future Mrs. Smith and myself. And in less than a month I fell desperately, irretrievably in love with a sweet young blonde, tiny and fragile, who hated the very sight of a book, and looked with sublime indifference upon my unhappy self.

Oh! how I loved her!

She was a second floor boarder in the house which I had selected as a temporary abiding-place—an orphan, under the protection of a maiden aunt. There were four other lady boarders in the house, but Julia Darley, my Julia, was the flower of them all.

Mrs. Green, the keeper of the boarding-house, was the mother of a maiden who, compared with my unattainable Julia, was a rock to a crystal, as darkness is to light; and yet this maiden even while my heart throbbled for another, dared lift her eyes admiringly to mine! Call it not conceit—the thing was plain.

Imagine my feelings then, when, one day sauntering into the parlor, and finding Miss Green there alone, I was accosted with:

"Mr. Smith, I feel I ought to communicate my intentions to you—unless, indeed, through the gossip of the house, you know them already."

Shuddering at the innovations of modern novelists, and intending to abash her into silence, I replied:

"I am acquainted with them, Miss Green, and I must say, once for all, that both circumstances and inclination prevent me from being willing in any way to—to—"

"Oh, as for that," interrupted Miss Green, loftily, "I shall not press the matter; though [with a sigh] I am very sorry to lose you, and mamma I know will be keenly disappointed. My upstairs rival is too powerful, I find."

"Miss Green!" I gasped, "pray explain yourself—I do not comprehend your rival?"

"Yes, my rival," responded Miss G., without a blush; "for as you have refused in advance the offer I was about to make you, I must certainly infer that you have promised yourself to Miss Darley."

Bewildered, and yet determined not to appear before the age, I managed to say, with a ghastly smile:

"I am sorry, my dear lady, that you feel compelled to draw such an inference; but how do you know that Miss Darley wants me?"

"Oh! that is no secret," returned Miss Green, with rather a toss of the head. "She has had her eye on you ever since you came to the house, and only yesterday told Mrs. Scott on the fourth floor that she only wished she could secure you."

"Miss Darley said this?" I exclaimed, horror-stricken yet not utterly wretched.

"Certainly she did; it's her way. But you're not bound of course, to follow her fortunes unless you choose; or if you do not like—"

"Like her!" I echoed, passionately;

"I was going to say, 'I love her! I idolize her!'" when the landlady came in time to save my dignity from utter wreck.

Seizing the opportunity and my hat at the same time, I bowed hastily to both ladies, and left the apartment.

In the solitude of my own room I sat down to meditate on the remarkable interview through which I had just passed. For Miss Green and her unwomanly offer I simply entertained feelings of contempt. But what meant those insinuations concerning my Julia? Dear, dear girl! Can it be that she loves me in secret? But those horrible words, "Meant to secure me if she could!" No, no—I will never believe she said them. At

most she may, in the innocence of heart, have confided her feelings to a false friend. I will never believe it. And yet Miss Green called her her "rival." Women can detect each other's feelings more quickly than we men can. Oh, what if Julia did love me after all!

All night, sleeping and waking, my heart kept echoing these words. The next day's work could not drive them away. What if she love me! What if she love me! How the thought lit up the dull back-office, and gilded the very edges of the "blotter!" How I scribbled "Love" and "Julia" on bits of waste paper, and then wrote "Cash" and "Scrimkins" over the words so that nobody could read them!

Well, when I returned to my room that afternoon I concluded to relieve myself then and forever. To say that I spoiled a quire of "cream laid" is to make a moderate estimate; finally I produced a missive which I flatter myself would have done credit to any young man of twenty-two under similar circumstances.

It was an epistle to Julia, telling her of my deep, my abiding love, of my prospects in life, of my resolve to win fortune and renown for her sake. In short, I told her all my hopes and fears; begged her in case she could at all reciprocate my emotions, not to divulge to a mortal soul what had passed between us; and concluded by imploring her to pen me a line in reply.

Carefully folding my letter, and directing the envelope in my best hand to "Miss Julia Darley," I watched an opportunity slipped it under her door, and flew up stairs four steps at a time.

Unluckily for me, I ran into a nervous boarder, named Hopkins, at the first landing-place. As I appeared flushed and confused, he at once regarded me with suspicion.

"Hello, Smith! what on earth is the matter with you?"

"Matter?" I panted, pushing furiously past him—"nothing."

He caught me by the arms.

"Smith," said he, "you are ill!"

Fearing that Julia would hear the commotion, and driven to desperation, I hissed into his ear,

"Yes, small pox—let me go!"

He needed no second hint, but hurried down stairs muttering something about sending up help as he went.

Seating myself by my open window (for it was summer), I was soon lost in conjectures concerning the reception of my note. By this time Julia had certainly read it; nay, in all probability she was already bending her blushing face over the asked-for reply—Why, there was Julia herself on the opposite sidewalk! She halted—crossed the street—rang the bell—the door opened and closed. Now she was surely on the stair!

I rushed to the hall and leaned over the baluster. She entered her room. Now she would read the letter! Now I should learn my fate!

Before my head was raised from the interesting survey I heard a shrill voice, from the hall above, exclaim,

"Oh mercy there he is! Don't stand there in the hall Mr. Smith: Go into your room for Heaven's sake!"

This was pleasant, to say the least. However, I obeyed orders and resumed my seat at the window.

Presently the very air seemed thrilled by a rustling in the hall. Turning, I saw something white thrust nervously under my door. It was a folded piece of paper. With a beating heart I picked it from the carpet, and read:

"Mr. Smith—I implore you to leave this house at once, if you are able to walk. Never mind paying your bill. I can wait. Your room shall not be entered until you return to it. The new family come to-morrow. As there are nine children I do not wonder at your refusing my offer of taking a dollar per week less than formerly from all the old boarders who would remain with us. Yours in deep sympathy, M. GREEN."

Just then another slight rustling occurred in the hall, and in an instant the tiniest letter in the world twined itself in under the door. It contained these words, traced in a fair, feminine hand:

"My Dear Mr. Smith:—The sweet words have filled me with surprise, and awakened emotions which I believed were dead within me. You are young, but there is promise of a fine character there. Brief as have been our interviews, I have detected your powers of mind, and they are worthy of my heart's purest and best love. If you really feel that you can be happy with me, I can offer you the 'ray

of hope' to which you allude so beautifully. Yours (in all probability), JULIA."

The first perusal made me half wild with bliss; the second excited a sense of mystery, and the third convinced me that joy at my proposal had driven the poor girl deranged. That allusion to my youth—what could it mean? "Promise of character," too—what in me?—in me, who felt myself to be already a careworn, thoughtful man, older in experience and wisdom than Methuselah himself? What could it mean, indeed, but that the writer was demented?

She loved me though—that was evident. Meanwhile how could I see my enchantress; how obtain an interview with her away from that horrid, over-dressed aunt who was always at her elbow? Ah! a struck me: I would see her at once—I would test her love! Without calculating the consequences I hastily wrote the following lines:

"DEAR MISS JULIA—I am confined to my room. The landlady will tell you what is the matter. If you love me, hasten to my side. I am alone in a large city—alone and friendless. Yours forever, JAMES."

Fearing another encounter in the hall I crumpled up my note, and attacking it to the end of a roll of thread I cautiously let it down from my window, trusting no observing eyes would mark me from the street.

It was seen, however, from the window below—a hand was stretched forth, the thread hastily broken, and the note drawn

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UNION PRESIDENTIAL TICKET.

1864.
FOR PRESIDENT:
ABRAHAM LINCOLN,
OF ILLINOIS.
FOR VICE PRESIDENT:
Andrew Johnson,
OF TENNESSEE.

UNION STATE CONVENTION.
A Convention of the friends of impartial freedom who embrace the doctrine set forth in the platform adopted by the recent Baltimore Convention with respect to the suppression of the rebellion, the extermination of slavery from the nation, and its prohibition in the future, for the purpose of the public credit, and the protest against the attempt of any monarchical power to overthrow republican institutions upon this continent, and who will also sustain by voice and vote Abraham Lincoln and Andrew Johnson as the standard bearers and representatives of their principles during the pending political canvass, are invited to meet by delegates at Ingersoll's Hall, in St. Paul on Thursday, the 4th day of August, at 11 o'clock a.m., to nominate four candidates to be supported for Presidential Electors and three for Judges of the Supreme Court.

The following has been fixed as the proper appointment of delegates:

Anoka - - - - -	2	Mill Lake - - - - -	1
Beacon - - - - -	1	Morrison - - - - -	1
Blue Earth - - - - -	4	Mower - - - - -	1
Brown - - - - -	2	Nicollet - - - - -	3
Carr - - - - -	2	Oluska - - - - -	3
Chicago - - - - -	1	Oluska - - - - -	3
Crow Wing - - - - -	1	Oluska - - - - -	3
Dakota - - - - -	1	Oluska - - - - -	3
DeSage - - - - -	1	Oluska - - - - -	3
Fairbault - - - - -	2	Oluska - - - - -	3
Fillmore - - - - -	2	Oluska - - - - -	3
Fitch - - - - -	2	Oluska - - - - -	3
Goodhue - - - - -	2	Oluska - - - - -	3
Hennepin - - - - -	2	Oluska - - - - -	3
Houston - - - - -	2	Oluska - - - - -	3
Isanti - - - - -	1	Oluska - - - - -	3
Le Sueur - - - - -	1	Oluska - - - - -	3
Lincoln - - - - -	1	Oluska - - - - -	3
Marshall - - - - -	1	Oluska - - - - -	3
McLeod - - - - -	1	Oluska - - - - -	3
Meeker - - - - -	1	Oluska - - - - -	3

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J. T. WILLIAMS,
State Central Committee.

THE POSITION OF THE PRESENT DEMOCRACY.

There is a class of persons in the North who style themselves Democrats, that are using every means in their power to uphold the institution of human bondage in the States, and as the present rebellion was waged upon us by Southern Slaveholders, to force a division of the Union by the use of carnal weapons, that they might form a separate government; whose chief corner stone should be Slavery, we can come to no other conclusion than that the present Democratic party must be in sympathy with the rebellion, as they both advocate the same leading principles. The Southern aristocracy have openly advocated the doctrine from time immemorial that the man who is brought up to labor, by tilling the soil, or the mechanic arts, is unfit for the society of gentlemen, or to hold any office under the general government, however humble the position, and this idea is sanctioned by the leaders of the Democratic party in the North. To prove this assertion we refer our readers to the New York World, one of the leading organs of that party, on the Baltimore Nominations. They allude to Abraham Lincoln in a sneering and burlesquing manner, because he was taken from the laboring class, consequently it was degrading to modern Democratic chivalry to have such a person to rule over them. Again "poor Andrew Johnson," "as they style him, an apprenticed Tailor, and a low-bred boy. This they considered insulting to high-minded gentlemen, to have him placed in nomination for the second office in the gift of a free people. Yet these persons have the impudence to ask at every election for their suffrage, to place them in some office of trust, profit or honor. Is not this adding insult to treachery? Will you place your beloved country in the hands of its enemies? Will you aid them to extinguish the life of this Republic forever? Can you imbue your own hands in her life's blood? And can you give your support to a party whose motto is Slavery, her password Deception and her counter sign Power? But accuse the Democratic party of being in favor of Slavery, and they will manifest great indignation, deny the accusation and pronounce it a base libel.

What has the Democratic party done the last week in the House of Representatives? The United States Senate passed a proposition by over a two-thirds vote and sent it to the House for concurrence. The proposition reads as follows: Section 1. Neither Slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime, whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States, or any place subject to its jurisdiction. Sec. 2. Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation. Ninety-one Union men were present and sixty-eight Democrats, and when the vote was taken the result was ninety-

ty-one Union for and sixty-four Democrats against. Four Democrats voted with the Union making ninety-five for and sixty-four against, consequently the proposition was lost, requiring a two-thirds vote of both Houses before it could be sent to the Legislature of all the States and if two-thirds of the loyal States, by a two-thirds vote in both Houses of the State Legislature, approved of the amendment it then becomes a part of the Constitution. The Copperheads of the House were determined that it should not go before the people for consideration, and strangled it with their own hands. They were determined that slavery should not be molested, and acted accordingly. They have from the commencement of this rebellion acted in concert with their Southern brethren in upholding their peculiar institution at the expense of the immense blood and treasure of our Nation. They have resisted to the utmost of their power the enlistment of slaves in the Union army, for fear of weakening rebel arms. Slavery with them is the sine qua non, and had they the supreme control of our government, slavery would not depend on the color of the skin or African descent, but all the poor of our land would be engulfed in the damnable whirlpool of human bondage.

Democracy in olden time had an endearing charm, and thousands rallied under its banner, but slavery, by its cunning manipulations and hypocritical pretensions, has extinguished all its former native beauty and excellence, and subverted it to its own corrupting use and influence. To the laboring class of people of our native land, and to those who have left their homes in foreign countries to find a safe asylum from the oppressor, we say to you one and all, guard well the rights and privileges you now enjoy, and sweep with the besom of destruction those in power, who are in sympathy with traitors and the slave oligarchy of our country.

Gen. Baldy Smith's Congratulations to the 18th Army Corps.

To the 18th Army Corps:
The General commanding desires to express to his command his appreciation of the soldierly display during the campaign of the last seventeen days. Within that time they have been continually called upon to undergo all the hardships of the soldier's life, and be exposed to all his dangers.

Marches under a hot sun have ended in severe battles, and after the battle watchful nights in the trenches gallantly taken from the enemy.
But the crowning point of the honor they are entitled to has been won since the morning of the 15th inst., when a series of earthworks on most commanding positions and of formidable strength have been carried with all the guns and materials of war of the enemy, including prisoners and colors. The works have all been held, and the trophies remain in our hands.

This victory is all the more important to us as the troops have never been regularly organized in camps where time has been given them to learn the discipline necessary to be a well organized corps d'armee, but they have been hastily concentrated and suddenly summoned to take part in the trying campaign of our country's being. Such honor as they have won will remain imperishable.

To the colored troops comprising the divisions of Gen. Hinks, the General commanding would call attention of his command. With the veterans of the 18th Corps they have stormed the works of the enemy and carried them, taking guns and prisoners, and in the whole affair they have displayed all the qualities of good soldiers.

WM. RUSSELL, Jr., Assist. Adjt.-Gen.
Official: S. A. CARTER, Capt. and A. A. G.

A Movement Against Fort Darling.
A letter of the 25th, says Foster's force of the Tenth corps has probably been the attacked Chadin's Bluff, and perhaps captured it. This would permit the erection of strong counter works to operate against Fort Darling. Heavy lines of entrenchments concentrating a sweeping fire on Drury's Bluff is the evident design of Grant.

BALTIMORE, Friday, June 24.—The Constitutional Convention of Maryland, in session at Annapolis, passed to-day by a vote of 53 yeas against 27 nays the following article of the bill of rights:

Hereafter in this State there shall be neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except in punishment of crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, and all persons held to service or labor as slaves are HEREBY DECLARED FREE.

—The Senate has passed the bill repealing the fugitive slave law by a vote of 27 to 12. As it has already been passed by the House, it only awaits the signature of the President to become a law.

Educational.

PARENTS' DUTY TO THE DIST. SCHOOL.

I trust that the people are not unwilling to hear further on so important a subject as education.

As the Common School is the Alpha and Omega of educational facilities to the majority of the people, the duty of properly maintaining this institution is imperative. It is nearly allied to the Divine injunction, "Train up a child in the way he should go." Here the twig is bent that is to shape the destiny of the future tree. What I wish to impress upon the minds of parents is that just in the proportion that you prosecute the work of educating in an economical, business-like manner, will you be successful in attaining the object you have in view. If you sow sparingly you will reap sparingly. What costs you nothing will bring nothing. You can no more have a good school, one worthy the day in which we live, without a generous, and judicious expenditure of time and money, than you can build a good house without it. There are some few things absolutely essential in order to have a good school. In the first place, a good house, of ample size, properly seated, warmed and ventilated; where the children are not huddled together like sheep, and without room to conduct the exercises without pleasure or profit. In the next place, there should be a school kept in that house from nine to ten months in the year. Short terms, and long vacations will work the ruin of any school. The evils are twofold. As a general thing first class teachers will not engage such a school, they can do better. In the next place, a large part of what the pupils learn in the school term is lost in the vacation. There never was, and there never will be a well advanced and interesting school where it is taught but six months in the year. The progress of such a school is much like that of the toad, climbing out of the well, which it is said, "climbed up three feet each day and fell back two each night to sleep."

That toad was a long time in getting out of the well, I am thinking! and your children will be equally long in getting out of the well of ignorance, if you pursue this intermittent system of schooling. Added to this, you can (with rare exceptions) hire none but second and third rate teachers, and these will be sure to leave their mark, such a mark as a bungler of a tailor leaves on the cloth you furnish him to make a coat, such a mark as a third rate mechanic leaves on your lumber, when you employ him to build you a nice house.

A stream will not rise above its fountain. Grapes will not grow on thistles, nor figs on thorn bushes, and second and third rate teachers seldom teach first rate schools. But you say these should be encouraged to do better. Some of them should, while others should quit at once, having woefully mistaken their calling. But how can you encourage them to prepare themselves fully for the work, while you will employ them for only half of the season, and leave them to do something else the other half. The truth is you should give teachers more constant employment, and remunerate them better, before you can hope to secure the services of that higher order of talent necessary to make your schools what they should be. Remember that the school teacher's art "is the art of all arts;" that the highest order of talent is not out of place in the teaching of even a common District School. No skilled artisan who ever put his hand to brass, wood or marble block, ever had so delicate and responsible a task before him.

Parents of Steele County, ponder upon these things and act wisely.
Owaonna, June 30th, 1864.

WAR DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, June 20, 1864.—10 P. M.—To Major General Dix: Gen. Foster, commanding the Department of the South at Hilton Head, forwards the following dispatch dated June 15, at Hilton Head, S. C.:

"I have the honor to report that I have to-day received from Major General Samuel Jones, commanding the rebel forces in the department, a letter stating that five general officers of the United States, as prisoners of war, had been placed in Charleston, to be retained there under our fire. Against this weak and cruel act I have protested. In the meantime the fire on the city is continued. I respectfully ask that an equal number of rebel officers are exposed in Charleston."

This department has issued a retaliatory order, transferring to Gen. Foster an equal number of rebel general officers to be treated in the manner proposed, as long as our officers are exposed in Charleston.

E. M. STANTON, Sec'y War.

EXECUTIONS AT NASHVILLE.

Hanging of Five Rebels.

From the Nashville (Tenn.) Union June 18th.
Five men were hung yesterday at the State Prison. They were tried and sentenced by a Military Commission at Tennessee last March. Col. E. A. Cannon, of the 13th New Jersey, acting as President of the Commission. They were charged as follows:

William P. Lemmond, citizen, charged with murder; third, robbery.
Cyrus Lee Cathey, citizen; charged the same as the foregoing.
Jesse B. Neron, citizen; same charges.
Thomas R. West, citizen; same charges, and also with bushwhacking.
Benjamin F. West, citizen; murder and robbery.

After a fair hearing the prisoners were convicted and sentenced to death. The findings and sentence were approved by the General commanding, and by the President, who directed that the prisoners be executed on the 18th of June, 1864. Preparations were made for the execution previous to 9 o'clock in the morning; order, Maj. Sherman and Capt. Trent were the officers detailed by Col. Hunter to carry into effect the commission. In front of the penitentiary were drawn several companies of the 31st Wisconsin, while squads of the same regiment surrounded the institution to suppress any undue excitement. The scaffold was erected in a little yard to the left of the main entrance, and was surrounded by about 100 men of the 31st Wisconsin, in command of Col. West.

A few minutes after 10 o'clock the culprits ascended the awful platform, accompanied by their spiritual advisers, a squad of soldiers and the officers who had charge of the execution. They all walked up to the scaffold with firmness, and stood side by side, evidently with slight emotion, and immediately gave themselves up to religious exercises.

After the usual ceremonies on such occasions the process of binding their bodies and limbs commenced; in a short time all was arranged, and the fatal ropes were adjusted around their necks. The moment Cathey felt the rope about his neck he betrayed uneasiness soon became unconscious and sunk down as far as the rope permitted. This painful episode, coupled with increasing stoicism on the part of his companions—excepting, perhaps, Neron, who, though firm, gave every exhibition of penitence—produced a sensation not soon to be forgotten.

Each of the men made a few remarks, the tenor of which was an avowal of their innocence. Cathey and Neron earnestly declared they were not guilty of the crime imputed to them; but added they were willing to die, and felt assured of immortal happiness. Lemmond could merely assert his innocence, in broken accents, but was otherwise calm and resigned. The two Wests, as the scene prolonged, grew more bold, and less penitent, and after asserting their freedom from guilt, stated that they were but honest rebel soldiers, affirmed their belief in the justice of the rebel cause, and said they would die true rebel soldiers. At precisely 11 o'clock, the white caps were drawn over their heads, the scaffolding was sprung, and the souls of the condemned launched into eternity.

How a Breckinridge Man Was Converted.

I must give my readers the benefit of what I heard a delegate Sangamon County, Illinois, tell to-day as his political experience, and how he came to be converted from a Breckinridge Democrat to a Lincoln Republican. I give it in his own words: "I was a Breckinridge Democrat in the last campaign. My wife and I owned four or five niggers in Tennessee, and we both thought Slavery was right. Even after the war broke out we thought it was right. When old Abe issued his proclamation giving the Rebels a hundred days to cool down in, then I said he was right. He told him: 'Now, Jefferson, I'll give you a fair chance; if you come back you may bring your niggers with you; if you don't I'll give you hell—niggers and all.' I waited to see what Jeff. would do, and when I found that he was determined to go off anyhow I wouldn't have anything more to do with him. I said Abe might free my niggers with the balance of 'em. So, when the hundred days were up, I said to my wife one morning: 'Do you know you slept with an Abolitionist last night?' 'No' says she. 'Well, it's true,' says I. 'And I've been the d—dest Abolitionist you ever saw since that time.' [Baltimore Cor. Cin. Com.]

—Sydney E. Edgerton, of Ohio, has been nominated by the President, as Governor of the Territory of Montana.

New York, June 25.

The Washington Star of last evening says that Grant's army occupied a position in the piney woods, on the outskirts of Petersburg, lately occupied by the rebels, who have abandoned their works on the south side of the Appomattox.

These entirely command Petersburg and the railroad through Petersburg, the only one between Richmond and Weldon.

For all practical purposes our guns stop all continuous communications by rail between Richmond and points south so long as Grant elects. He can thus hold the enemy by the throat at Petersburg. From his present position he can move south with say twenty days' rations, and compel Lee to follow him or risk a heavy engagement on unfortified ground.

New York, June 22.—At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Democratic Committee, held to-day, it was voted that, in deference to the desire of a very large number of the leading members of the Conservative Union Democratic party throughout the country, the meeting of the Democratic Convention be postponed to Monday, August 29th 1864, at 12 o'clock at noon at Chicago.

(Signed)
AUGUSTE BELMONT, Chairman.
FRED'K O. PIERCE, Sec'y.

—The Herald's correspondent says:—The remains of the First California regiment, brought out by the lamented Col. Baker, are going to be mustered out. Of the 1,647 originally, in 1861, only 113 remain. Their list of battles can not be surpassed.

—On the 17th, a terrible catastrophe happened at the Arsenal. Nineteen young women who among others, were engaged in making cartridges and fireworks for the Government, were burned to death by the accidental ignition of a large quantity of combustibles.

—The Richmond Examiner of the 8th, says that more than 1,500 prisoners are at Andersonville, Ga., and upward of 3,000 have died there. Average 35 daily, with prospect of increase. On the 8th, over 1,000 more were to be sent there from Richmond. On the 9th, 1,060 more were to be sent. Union officers are quarantined at Macon, Ga. Letters for these prisoners should be prepaid to these new quarters.

U. S. GRANT, the Tanner, is putting his early experience to good use in tanning the hides of the rebels; Abraham Lincoln the Rainsplitter, is very appropriately engaged in splitting his railers; and Andrew Johnson, the Tailor, is sewing up the Rebellion in Tennessee, giving the traitors particular fits, and dressing down the buttresses. He is just the man to help cut short "the brittle thread of their unprofitable life."

Gov. Miller has appointed Hon. S. J. R. McMillan of Stillwater, as Associate Justices of the Supreme Court, to fill the vacancies occasioned by the resignation of Judges Flandreau and Atwater.—St. Paul Press.

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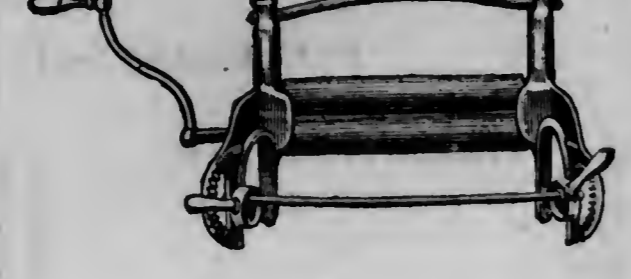
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LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS.

PROBATE COURT, County of Steele, ss. In the matter of the estate of William A. Williamson late of the State of New York, leaving personal and real estate in said County of Steele. On filing the petition of Lucetta C. Williamson, praying that letters of administration be granted to her and Geo. W. Greene on said estate: Ordered that public notice be given by publishing a true copy of this order three weeks successively in the PLAIN DEALER, a newspaper published at Owatonna, prior to the first Monday in July next, that all persons interested may appear at a Probate Court, then to be held at Owatonna, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause if any they have why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.

R. G. LINCOLN, Judge of Probate.

GUARDIAN'S SALE.—In Probate Court, Steele County, Minnesota. In the matter of the guardianship of the minor heirs of C. Simmons, deceased. Notice is hereby given that by virtue and pursuant to an order of license made in said matter on the sixth day of June 1864, by the Probate Court of said County, the undersigned guardian of said minor heirs, will on the twenty-second day of July 1864, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at the office of the Register of Deeds in said county, offer for sale at public vendue the following described land, to wit: The south west quarter of the south west quarter of Section No. 43 (6) in Township No. 106 north, of Range 20 west. The terms of the sale will be made known at the time and place of the sale. Dated Owatonna June 23d, A. D. 1864. SUMNER BUTLER, Guardian.

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